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## Hanson Hills under new direction

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

A new director has been hired to manage the Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Justin Andre was hired recently by the Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) to replace Cindy Olson in those duties.

Olson resigned her position after more than seven years, effective April 16, to pursue a career in life and health insurance sales with her husband, Herb.

Andre, who was born in Grayling, will graduate this week from Lake Superior State University with a degree in Business Management. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Recreation Management last year from the same college. Prior to that, Andre graduated from Lincoln High School in Ypsilanti. He is expected to begin his duties on May 1.

The 24-year old was chosen from more than 50 applicants



Justin Andre  
GRA Director

and has experience working with the parks and recreation department in Boulder, CO. Andre said he still has a lot of family in the Grayling area and decided to accept the position because of the area's beauty and recreational assets.

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## Nursing home hosts Easter egg hunt



The Grayling Nursing Centre hosted an Easter egg hunt for Grayling Co-Op Preschool and AuSable Primary. Residents filled 400 eggs with treasures and hid them. Zachery Schrieber and Emily Wingard found the most eggs and each won an Easter basket filled with gifts.

## Debris from Big Rock coming soon

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Debris from the Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant (BRPNP) site will begin flowing into the Waters Landfill, located in Maple Forest Township, at the end of April.

The Big Rock plant was decommissioned in 1997 after 35 years of operation. The radioactive material will be shipped to Barnwell, South Carolina and/or Clive, Utah. The clean, non-radioactive building material will be shipped to Waters.

One of the major concerns of local officials has been the definition of clean.

To the layman, clean means no

radiation above background level. To the nuclear industry, clean means radiation exposure of less than one millirem. Tim Petroskey, Public Affairs Director of the Big Rock Point Restoration Project said for the restoration plan Consumers Energy has defined clean as less than one one-hundredth of one millirem. He also said the highest level of radiation in the waste shipped to Waters would be 0.009 millirem which is the amount of radiation given off by a household smoke detector. He added that this level of radiation would be an extremely unlikely occurrence based on the fact that the material is checked before it

leaves the plant.

In fact, the material has already been checked for radiation and cleaned where necessary. After cleaning, the material was again checked for radiation levels.

A second concern expressed by local officials dealt with who was checking the loads and how often.

Both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) believe the disposal plan is more than adequate and will be checking the loads approximately once

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## Canadian trash: No local control

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Citing the lack of local and state regulatory control over solid waste imported from Canada, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners signed a resolution last week urging the U.S. Congress to allow such control.

The Commissioners learned of the first delivery of Canadian trash to the Waste Management landfill in Waters just days before it arrived. The first two truckloads of an estimated 11,000 tons expected to be deposited at the landfill this year arrived last Friday.

Environmental Monitor Bruce Patrick, who replaced Pat Merrill after he took a job in the Upper Peninsula, advised the Board at its regular meeting April 16 that Ontario no longer has any open landfills and the trash originally destined for Port Huron was coming to Waters from Sudbury, Ontario because it was closer in distance.

Merrill warned the Board more than two years ago of the possibility of Canadian solid waste coming to the Waters landfill, part of which is situated in the northern Crawford County township of Maple

Forest.

According to Patrick, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality reported 6.5 million cubic yards of Type 2 (Household Waste) was received by Michigan landfills from Canada in 2002. One cubic yard is equal to about one ton.

County Chair Lynette Corlew remarked Ontario and Canada are "filled with wide open spaces" and the Canadian government has failed to plan ahead and develop its own landfills. Now Crawford County, among others in Michigan, is going to pay the price of potential environmental hazards.

The transport of household waste across the border from Canada is federally protected under the U.S. Constitution through the North American Free Trade Agreement, but the Commissioners are concerned about appropriate inspections of shipments.

In their resolution sent to U.S. Senators Carl Levin (D-MI) and Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), and U.S. Representative Bart Stupak (D-MI), the County Commissioners point out that the authority to regulate interstate and international

commerce lies in their hands. They also point out inspections of solid waste shipments from Canada are "infrequent and of questionable reliability." They believe this leaves the disposal of hazardous waste a possibility at landfills designed for the disposal of household waste, including the Waters landfill.

The Commissioners described this lack of local control "a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of Michigan" and urged "in the strongest terms possible" that both houses of Congress work diligently to provide legislation to provide regulation by the State of Michigan of solid waste generated outside of the state and imported for disposal.

Maple Forest Township Supervisor Mark Kniss said, "I am dead set against the Canadian trash coming to the landfill."

Kniss and his Board of Trustees are currently trying to make sure building materials from the dismantling of the Big Rock Point nuclear power plant in Charlevoix are not radioactive above safe levels. These materials are destined for disposal at the Waters landfill, too, at the end of this month.

## SHRINERS BRING EASTER GREETINGS



Members of the Grayling AuSable Shrine club visited residents of Grayling Mercy Manor and Grayling Nursing Centre to share Easter greetings with them. Pictured left to right are Jerry Gosnell, Fred Campbell, Nelson Miles, who will be 101 years young May 9, Arnie Stancil and Kenneth Eldridge. Miles is a member of Lodge 356, Free and Accepted Masons as well as a member of the AuSable Shrine Club.

## Camp Grayling: A reminder of our freedom

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Through hard work and tenacity, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners said Rasmus Hanson achieved the American dream. On April 16, the Board passed a resolution honoring that dream which led to the creation of Camp Grayling 90 years ago because of the lumberman's gift of land to the State of Michigan.

According to the resolution and local history, Hanson decid-

ed to give back to the state and through his "great patriotism and generosity, made possible the founding of the Hanson Military Reservation."

Hanson donated about 14,000 acres on the southern end of Lake Margrethe, then known as Portage Lake.

The lake was later renamed in honor of Hanson's wife, Margrethe.

The camp was originally named after then governor,

Woodbridge Ferris, and was later renamed Camp Grayling.

On the 90th anniversary of Camp Grayling, the Commissioners together congratulated the Michigan National Guard and the late Rasmus Hanson as they "continue to remind us daily of the freedoms we enjoy."

The Commissioners said they will "continually champion our military's efforts at home and abroad."

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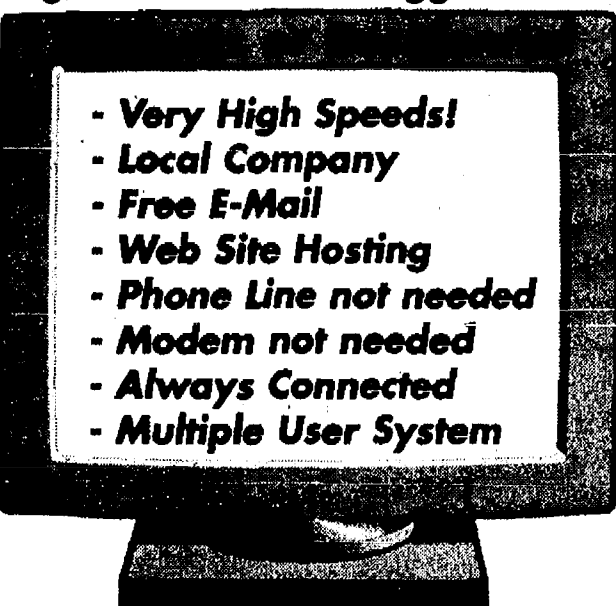
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## Key Club completes drive for River House



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

With help from many in the community, including businesses and individuals, the Grayling High School Key Club was able to collect over 720 items for its Key Club Hygiene Product Drive to benefit the clients of River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services. The drive will help offset the shelter's expense for such items as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and tissue. Key Club Vice President Laura Strohkirch, Treasurer Charley McNamara and member Ariel Strohkirch stopped for this picture, then presented the items recently to River House Shelter staff.

## Hanson Hills under new direction

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Andre said he has some new programs in mind to attract people of all ages to Hanson Hills. Some of his ideas include bonfires and barbeques, outdoor music concerts, teen dances and the possible creation of a BMX bicycle track, as well as a beach volleyball court.

Current soccer, softball and T-ball programs are expected to continue.

The new director said the facilities are not being utilized to

their full capacity and would like to see Hanson Hills become a meeting place of choice for local groups and for conferences by groups from outside the area.

The financial situation of the GRA will have some bearing on programs offered at Hanson Hills, which is funded in part by millage dollars. The majority of funding is revenue from fees paid by program participants and sponsors. "With a lot of hard work, we have survived," said Olson. "But more funding is

needed if Hanson Hills is to be successful."

Olson said during her tenure, many capital improvement projects have been completed including a new roof for the main lodge, development of soccer fields and irrigation. The list of activities and programs offered to the community also increased. Andre said he hopes to see the playground improved, an updating of grooming equipment for the ski programs, additional lighting and to make Hanson

Hills handicap accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"I would like to thank the community for all its wonderful support and ask everyone to support Justin in his challenge to help the programs and events at Hanson Hills continue to grow and be successful," Olson said.

The first official event under Andre's direction will be Kite Day on May 17, his second will be the mountain bike race scheduled for June.

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a month. Consumers Energy has also agreed to pay for third party oversight of the project.

The contents of the trucks will be scanned by radiation detectors and the print-outs will be checked by a second group. The print-outs will then be checked by the third party overseer. If the debris is found to be over the accepted limit of five picoCuries per gram, it will not be sent to the Waters landfill.

When the trucks reach the Waters landfill, they are subject to another inspection by Waste Management personnel who will be using the same monitoring

system used at Big Rock Point. Each truck will be tested at the scale house and if any are found to be above the accepted limit they will be sent back to Big Rock Point and the MDEQ will be notified.

According to Petroskey it will take approximately 18 months to bring all the debris to Waters.

A major concern has been whether dumping this debris in a type II landfill (general rubbish, household garbage and demolition material) is setting a nationwide precedent for acceptance of low-level radiation waste from other sources.

Normally debris of the type

Consumers Energy will be trucking to Waters is left on site, with the structures intact or demolished. Otherwise the debris is handled as low level radioactive waste and shipped to a low level waste facility. Either action would be in accordance with established NRC policy.

A Michigan Department of Environmental Quality internal memo dated January 24, 2000, questions the need to remove all plant structures and restore the site to "greenfield" status (a totally restored site with no restrictions due to radioactivity).

When asked what plans Consumers Energy has for the

site, Petroskey said there were no plans at this time. He said they just wanted to change it from an industrial site to a parklike setting. He also said that a site is considered "greenfield" with a reading approximately three times the radiation limit set for the debris to be hauled to Waters.

The memo also states that "the BRPNP staff feels that nuclear industry interest in this cost-effective waste management concept will be extensive..." It continues, "the BRPNP proposal, once approved by the NRC, may set a precedent that would lead to extensive application elsewhere throughout the country."

## Argument leads to stabbing

by Cheryll Ruley  
 Staff Writer

Underage drinking is believed to have been a factor in the early morning stabbing last Sunday of a local teen.

Troopers from the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police were called at about 2:40 a.m. to respond to the stabbing incident at a home on Sand Hill Road in Frederic Township on April 20.

Early questioning of the vic-

tim, 19-year old Juel L. Joseph, Jr., and witnesses led to the identity of the suspect, 19-year old Michael Brandon Trospen. Through a combined effort by Houghton Lake Troopers, Gaylord Post Troopers and Grayling City Police, Trospen was located and arrested without further incident.

According to the Michigan State Police, the stabbing took place in the driveway of Joseph's home as an end result of a fight

earlier that night when Trospen was assaulted at a party being held at another home.

Troopers said Trospen left the party following the alleged assault, got a knife and went to Joseph's home. Upon his arrival, Trospen and Joseph argued in the driveway, then began to fight physically during which Joseph was stabbed in the abdomen. Trospen then left.

Details of what caused the pair to argue and fight were not yet available due to a continuing investigation involving the interviews of more witnesses.

Joseph was taken by Frederic Township Fire and Rescue to Mercy Hospital in Grayling for treatment. Troopers report doctors at Mercy Hospital indicated the stab wound was not life threatening.

Trospen was lodged in the Crawford County Jail following his arrest and was arraigned April 22 in 83rd District Court on one felony charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder.



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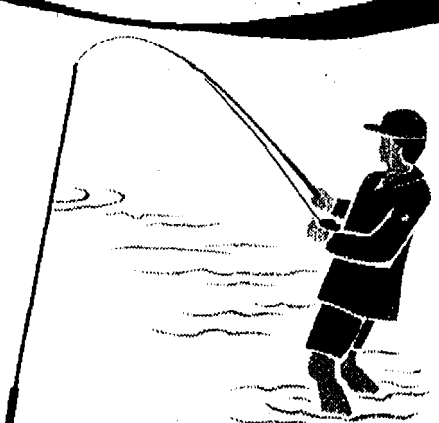
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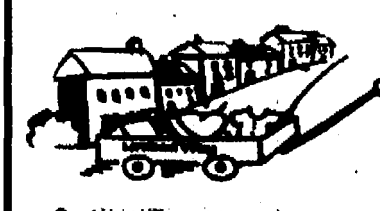


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## 'Book Fairy' program drawing to a close



Frederic Elementary fifth-graders are checking out the selections at the next-to-last book fairy session. The program will end in May but has been active at Frederic Elementary for several years. With funding by the Frederic Parent Teacher Organization, donations and the Public Enrichment Foundation each student at the school has been given a book each month by the 'book fairy.' For the last three years Ilene Geiss-Wilson has been acting alone as the 'book fairy' dressing up in costume complete with tiara and wings. This year she was joined by volunteer Kristin Wilson whose children attend Frederic Elementary.

## City agrees to purchase planters

The Grayling City Council, at the request of the Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA), approved the purchase of 16 new, portable planters for the downtown area last week.

At last Monday's regular council meeting, a representative from GUDA gave a presentation to the city council that included its interpretation of the deal the

city and the association made last year when the old planters were removed and four possible styles for the new planters.

The old planters, which were permanent fixtures, were removed due to snow removal issues on the sidewalks downtown, with the understanding that new, portable planters would be installed in 2003 to replace them,

City Manager Allen Lowe said. The issue of who would pay for the new planters "was left up in the air," he said.

GUDA's representative said the association has agreed to maintain the planters once they are put in. The association requested a minimum of 16 new planters but added that it "would like more."

After the presentation and discussion, the council voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of 16 planters. The style selected was by far the lightest of the four (37 pounds apiece without soil or plants). The planters cost \$525 each for a total of \$8,400.

The city has agreed to pack up and store the planters during the winter months, Lowe said.

## Warbler Fest buttons now available

Kirtland's Warbler Festival buttons are now on sale at several area chambers of commerce and visitors bureaus, affording local residents a 40 percent discount in the price of the May 17 event.

The buttons cost \$3 in advance and \$5 on campus the day of the event. Children 12 and under are free. Parking is free.

Buttons are available at chambers in Grayling, Houghton Lake, Mio, Roscommon, St. Helen and West Branch, and visitor's bureaus in Houghton Lake and Grayling.

With many new attractions for local visitors and increasing numbers of serious birders attending from points all across the continent and as far away as Anchorage, Alaska, attendance is

expected to surpass 2,000 or more for the 10th annual festival. So volunteers are needed.

"This is an opportunity to be helpful and to also join in the fun and educational events of the day," said volunteer organizer Carole Chilton. Volunteers are needed to greet visitors in the parking lot and give directions, sell badges needed for presentations and tours, help with children's activities such as constructing birdhouses and fishing in the pond, provide hospitality at the fine arts gallery, and distribute tickets to riders on a horse-drawn wagon to the nearby Red Pine area.

In all, more than 70 volunteers are needed to keep things running smoothly. All volunteers will receive a special gift as well

as a free badge - the pass to all presentations and tours during the Saturday event.

Volunteers are community members from the Kirtland region, which lies in the heart of the jack pines Kirtland's warbler - one of the world's rarest birds - calls home during the summer months. Northern Michigan is the only place where serious birders have a chance to view the bird, since it's easy to find in the forest because of its mating song. It winters in the Bahamas, but is uncommonly difficult to find because it's not warbling.

Those interested in volunteering for even a few hours should phone Carole Chilton at 275-5958, chiltonc@kirtland.edu or Betty Ehinger at 275-5000, ext.252, ehingerb@kirtland.edu.

## Emergency plan update will focus on terrorism

Supplemental grant funding is being made available to all Emergency Management programs in the state to modify and enhance their Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) to address all-hazards including terrorism.

Larry Akers, local Emergency Management Director, reported recently Crawford County will

receive over \$15,925 to be used to hire someone to fulfill the temporary position of "plan writer," tasked with reviewing the county's current EOP.

Following the review, the plan will be updated as needed, with emphasis on terrorism response, recovery, and coordination plans, including the development of procedures, checklists and relat-

ed tools.

A portion of the grant will also be available for equipment, training and related expenses.

In addition to reviewing the existing plans and Michigan State Police guidelines for developing the new portions, the plan writer will be meeting with local agencies and individuals responsible for the current annexes.

## Local preparedness gets \$35,000 boost

The Emergency Management Division of the Department of State Police has awarded a grant of \$35,072 to Crawford County Emergency Management as part of the Department of Justice's State Domestic Preparedness Program (SDPP).

The purpose of the grant is to help local agencies answer the needs of Homeland Security and readiness, by continuing the acquisition of first responder equipment.

The grant requires no matching funds, so no local budgets will be affected.

All emergency services in Crawford County, as well as public works and Grayling Mercy Hospital, were invited to submit equipment requests.

After meeting with the requesting agencies, the following purchases were authorized:

- Beaver Creek Fire Department - Level A protective suits and personnel accountability equipment (\$18,461.97).
- Frederic Fire Department - Mobile radios (\$3,838.20).
- Grayling Fire Department - Scott Air Pack Bottles (\$4,877.80).

- Mobile Medical Response (MMR) - Helmets, cut-resistant gloves, chemical-resistant gloves, safety glasses, Level C protective suits (\$2,475.85).
- South Branch Township Fire Department - Gas monitors and kits, portable and mobile radios (\$2,672.45).
- Lovells Fire Department - Portable and mobile radios (\$2,211.27).

Workshops will be held in May to describe the next round of funding expected to become available this summer.

## Saturday is Adopt-A-Pet Day

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, in cooperation with TV 9 and 10 News, will be participating in Adopt-A-Pet Day, this Saturday, April 26.

The shelter will be open extended hours that day, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and each pet adopted will receive a free gift.

"All of our pets are spayed or neutered and are current on vaccinations," said Shelter Director Dixie Lobsinger. "If you are looking for a new pet, come and meet some of the great ones at the animal shelter. We will be

happy to introduce you to them."

Shelter staff and volunteers are also gearing up to attend the "Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo" adoption event, May 3-4. "All of the pets we now have will be going to the Detroit Zoo to find new homes that weekend," Lobsinger said.

Photos and information about the many pets available for adoption at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County can be found by logging on to: ascc.petfinder.com

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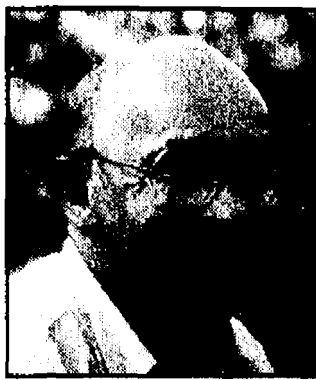


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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Canadian trash starting to raise big stink

YOU CAN FIND hardly anyone connected with Michigan government or politics who is not concerned by Canada trucking trash into Michigan landfills.

The question is what can be done about it.

Each day 130 or more trucks come from Canada into Michigan to dump Canadian trash into Michigan landfills mainly in the eastern part of the state.

Toronto, Canada's largest city, exports all its trash to Michigan.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers, Brighton Republican, is pushing a bill in Congress to allow states to ban Canadian trash.

His colleague, Rep. John Dingell, Dearborn Democrat and dean of the U.S. House, claims that would violate the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Mr. Dingell in 1994 sponsored a bill to limit import of trash. It passed the House but was spiked in the Senate. He has introduced

the same bill again this year.

According to an Associated Press story, New England states blocked the Dingell bill in 1994 because they export trash, too.

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IN THE SENATE this year, Michigan Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, both Democrats, pushed a bill through the Senate to require inspection of Canadian trash trucks entering Michigan.

Mr. Rogers and others don't think much of that idea as a solution. Inspections don't "remove the threat posed by Canadian trash," according to U.S. Rep. Candice Miller, Macomb Republican.

It's not quite clear in all the current hubbub why Michigan imports so much trash from Canada, or how the practice got started in the first place. Money is probably involved somehow.

It's inconceivable that somewhere in the vastness that is Canada, a native landfill cannot

be established to accommodate home grown Canadian trash, and probably at a lower cost than shipping it into the next country.

Trash filled trucks also wear down both state and local road systems, as well as create traffic congestion. Potential contamination of natural resources, both now and in the future, should be a Michigan concern, too.

The Michigan folks in Congress in both parties are on the right track. Let's hope they work together to find solutions.

Michigan should have the right to decide how much trash can be imported.

If the Rogers approach violates NAFTA, then a way around it should be found, or maybe NAFTA should be changed.

Let's keep Michigan landfills for Michigan trash.

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DEMS SOFTENING -- Michigan Democrats appear to be abandoning -- at least for 2004 -- their eight year fight to move

their presidential nominating caucuses ahead of other states.

Senator Carl Levin, for one, has long argued that Iowa with its caucuses and New Hampshire with its preferential primary, should not be allowed to wield such a big stick in the presidential selection process every four years.

In 2004, the Iowa caucuses are scheduled tentatively for Jan. 19, 2004, and the New Hampshire primary is due on Jan. 27, 2004.

Neither Iowa nor New Hampshire is anywhere near a normal political state, nor is either large enough or varied enough to present a true picture of the overall Democratic party, Mr. Levin and others have argued.

Michigan, on the other hand, is more varied in its socio-economic and ethnic makeup, and more evenly divided in its political structure, so it more nearly reflects the entire country.

In addition, goes the Levin the-

sis, Michigan is more crucial for the Democratic candidate to carry in the final election. His reasoning makes considerable sense.

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SENATOR LEVIN FOR years has been pushing the concept that Michigan's Democratic caucuses should be ahead of the New Hampshire and Iowa selections.

The national Democratic party structure turned a cold shoulder to Mr. Levin's plea in 2000 and has not been receptive this year either, apparently because of tradition. Change is tough for a lot of folks -- including politicians -- to embrace.

Now the Michigan AFL-CIO has decided not to support the 2004 Levin challenge to the status quo. Instead, the union has endorsed February 7 Michigan caucuses, which would put them about one week and a half after New Hampshire's primary and almost three weeks after the Iowa process.

Considering the union's numerical and political strength within the Michigan Democratic party, its action is pretty much a death knell for Michigan to lead the pack in picking the 2004 presidential nominee.

There may be a bright side for Michigan next year, however. With the multitude of candidates chasing the Democratic nomination, there's a chance the race will still be alive by the time the Michigan caucuses roll around.

But with the way presidential races have lined up in recent years, don't bet on it.

Senator Levin is right and his campaign is just. Along with his like-minded colleagues, he should continue the good fight.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## U.S., Britain have given Iraq a future

To the editor,  
This letter is in response to the letter by Mary Beth Brady, Cathy Lester, Faith Stripe, Bernadine Dosch, George Henley Morse, Lorna Morse and Lovona Koll (published April 10).

Just when I thought I could take a breather answering left-wing propaganda, this dribble shows up.

Your "peace at any cost" group certainly has a right to put whatever you wish in print. However, it seems to me that one of your little group could have made an effort to verify what you were spewing was at least partially true. Unfortunately, no one did, so I will have to educate you.

The reason the United States and Britain were forced to go into Iraq was that the United Nations passed and failed to act on at least 14 resolutions for Iraq to disarm of their weapons of mass destruction.

Do you remember Iraq invading the sovereign nation of Kuwait? Did you forget that Saddam plundered, raped, murdered citizens of that country before he was kicked out by the coalition put together by the

first President George Bush? Or, were you too busy marching down Michigan Avenue protesting that action, too?

Did you forget to protest President Clinton sending troops to Bosnia and Somalia? Clinton was in office for a majority of the time those 14 resolutions were passed by the U.N. and did nothing to encourage Iraq to comply, although he did have a few token cruise missiles fired at tents and camels in Iraq.

Our current President, George W. Bush, gave the U.N. every chance to enforce the resolutions passed against Iraq. Thanks to the actions of countries like Russia, Germany, and France, our president had no choice but to act. Our only true ally, Britain and Tony Blair, stood by us. These two courageous men told the U.N. to take a hike and put together a coalition of 40 countries to take care of the problem.

Have you missed the news that our brave troops have discovered a variety of missiles, suspected mobile chemical labs, suspected chemical stock piles, and a lab with suspected weapons-grade plutonium -- all

things banned by the resolutions passed by the U.N.

The U.N. weapons inspectors were too busy trying to appease Saddam to find any of these items. Through information passed on to the U.S. by Iraqi citizens, a terrorist training camp was discovered complete with the fuselage of a Boeing 727 jetliner. Iraqi prisoners of war reported this camp was attended by members of Al Qaeda.

Have you noticed the jubilation and gratitude of the people of Iraq, set free of a murderous madman? After our troops finish freeing the people of Iraq, and a new government is started, we will help rebuild and restore their country. Then we will leave them with their newfound freedom.

It will be up to the people of Iraq to keep what we have helped them achieve. Hopefully they will make the right choices. Whatever happens, this great country along with our ally, Britain, gave these people a chance for a new future.

James W. Allman  
Frederic

## UN, international team needed in Iraq

To the editor,  
Mr. Rick Anderson seems to believe that the United Nations wants to "control" how other nations want to govern themselves.

Sorry, Mr. Anderson. The U.N. runs on the proposition that each nation is sovereign and independent, and that other nations shouldn't have the right to meddle with their government. It's we, ourselves, the U.S.A., which has embarked on a program of "regime change" first Afghanistan, then Iraq, and...

Well, now our government is using the same threatening rhetoric about Syria they were using about Iraq two months ago... After that, North Korea? Iran? There's talk of Cuba... All those who want to pray for the safety of our troops had better buy some knee protectors.

Mr. Anderson wants us to "look at who supplied Mr. Hussein with his weapons of

mass destruction." Yes, let's look, because it certainly wasn't the U.N. It was Ronald Reagan whose covert CIA operations brought Saddam to power, and who then armed him to the teeth (and turned a blind eye when Saddam put his nice new poison gas to use.) I'm sorry if this is an uncomfortable fact for "patriots" who want to believe we are a nation of saints, but there it is.

Of all the reasons the U.N. should work alongside the U.S.A. in the reconstruction of Iraq, perhaps the strongest is this: the rest of the world remembers Reagan arming Saddam, the rest of the world is deeply suspicious of our motives right now, and a joint U.S.-U.N. team would demonstrate for all to see that the U.S.A. is truly committed to the welfare of Iraq, and not just to lining our own pockets or setting up an Iraqi puppet regime. (By the way, a joint team would have lots of nations

in it, not just France and Russia.) Lastly, when tensions mount, as they surely will, the presence of an international team will mean that demagogues won't be able to whip up violence against the U.S.A. so easily.

Of course, if our main purpose in Iraq is really to help ourselves to their oil and award fat contracts to U.S. companies, then of course we should go it alone -- the fewer the merrier! -- and hang the consequences. It's only a pity that when the violence comes, our greedy corporation bosses won't suffer; it's our civilians who will be hurt, as well as our troops who will just be doing their duty.

As a veteran, Mr. Anderson, are you sure you'd be happy explaining to even one American mother why her son or daughter was sacrificed for the sake of corporate profits?

Cathy Lester  
Grayling

## Yes, there is another Grayling Elementary

To the editor,  
I know that things are real sketchy right now as far as the educational future of the state and our community, but it is important that we understand what our leaders right here are telling us and not get completely carried away into the statistics that we read.

Gossip and rumors will cause nothing but paranoia and anxiety. For example, last week there was a story in the *Detroit Free Press* that included a list of 216 schools that were failing and were going to be sanctioned. On this list it stated Grayling Elementary as one of the four-year failing

schools. I heard on three different occasions from different people that it was sad that our elementary school was listed in the *Free Press* as one of the failing schools. This is just not true. What you should know if you didn't already is that there are two Grayling Elementary Schools in the state. One is right here in Crawford County, the other is in Detroit.

The four-year failing school is in Detroit, not here in Crawford County.

That does not mean that we don't have to keep our noses to the grindstone and work hard at making our district the best we

can, but we are not a failing school.

I hope this clears up any confusion that anyone might have had when reading the *Free Press* last week. I know it gave me a start when I saw the name of our school there, but I also knew there had to be some reasonable explanation because our leadership has been very forthcoming about everything involving the "No Child Left Behind" program. Sure enough, there was a reasonable explanation, it simply isn't the same school.

Chad Patterson  
Grayling

## Why is Canada 'trashing' us?

To the editor,  
Canadian trash in our landfill! Is this possibly true what I read in Sunday's paper? Somebody please give me the answer and let's see that it is stopped.

With all of the millions of acres of empty land in Canada and we have to put up with it in Michigan?

Fay Bovee  
Grayling

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Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted

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Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.



# BRIEFS

## GMS 7th graders to host recycling day

In conjunction with Earth Day 2003, Grayling Middle School 7th grade Science Classes will host a Recycling Day at the Grayling City Park, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Thursday, April 24. The following items will be accepted: newspapers, magazines, phone books, office paper, junk mail, clean cardboard, clean pizza boxes, plastic beverage containers, plastic detergent jugs, milk jugs, and clean styrofoam. For more information, call the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at (989) 348-2921.

## KCC hosts Young Writers' Workshop

On Friday, April 25, author Gerry LaFemina will conduct a workshop/writing exercise for area high school students at Kirtland Community College, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be served. Area students and teachers interested in attending should phone (989) 275-5000, ext. 220 for more information. For more information, visit online at <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/cburn/series.htm>.

## Eagles Auxiliary to hold election

The Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465 will hold its election of officers on Thursday, May 1 at the Aerie. Hours for voting will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. All members are encouraged to come and vote.

## Men's golf leagues meet April 26

Grayling Country Club Tuesday and Wednesday Men's League players are asked to attend a meeting on Saturday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Information on the 2003 season will be discussed.

## Church to host Swiss Steak Dinner

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host a Swiss Steak Dinner on Thursday, April 24, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$7 per person.

## Lovells hosts Historic Trout Opener

The Lovells Township Historical Society will open the first exhibit at their new log museum on the first weekend of the 2003 regular trout season, April 26-27 -- the First Annual Lovells Historic Trout Opener, an exhibit of the history of trout fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River. There will be related displays and demonstrations by fly tyers. Vintage bamboo fly casting contests (for accuracy, not distance), an historic river guide camp (where visitors can get a free bowl of chili and a cup of coffee), and fly fishing videos will also be featured. Gary Tanner, Executive Director of the American Museum of Fly Fishing in Manchester, NH, will talk about preserving trout fishing history at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Lovells Township Hall. All events are free and open to the public. The new log museum is located on the township hall grounds at 8405 Twin Bridge Road.

## Free boating safety class offered

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be conducting a complimentary Boating Safety School on Saturday, April 26 at the Sheriff's Office, 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 1:30 p.m. Participants should be at least 12 years of age. A lunch break will be held and Sheriff Kirk Wakefield suggests all participants bring a bag lunch and a drink. The class is limited to the first 40 participants. Register by calling the Sheriff's Office at (989) 344-3213.

## Dinner to raise money for new roof

St. Francis Episcopal Church, on M-72 West in Grayling, will hold an all-you-can-eat Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser to help cover the expense of a new roof. The dinner will be held at the church on Saturday, April 26, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meal includes salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink. Cost is a donation of \$5 per person.

## COA to host Lasagna Dinner

The Crawford County Commission on Aging Senior Center, located at 308 Lawndale Street in Grayling, will host a Lasagna Dinner with all the trimmings on Friday, April 25, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., to raise funds for Meals on Wheels. Everyone is welcome.

## Lions Club's White Cane Drive begins

The Grayling Lions Club will be holding its White Cane Drive, this Friday and Saturday, April 25-26.

Local members of the Lions Club will be out and about in Grayling asking for donations to help cover the expenses of the club's service projects aimed at providing help for visually impaired, blind, and hearing impaired individuals.

A traditional White Cane Pin will be issued to each person who makes a donation.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

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## Paperback rack donated

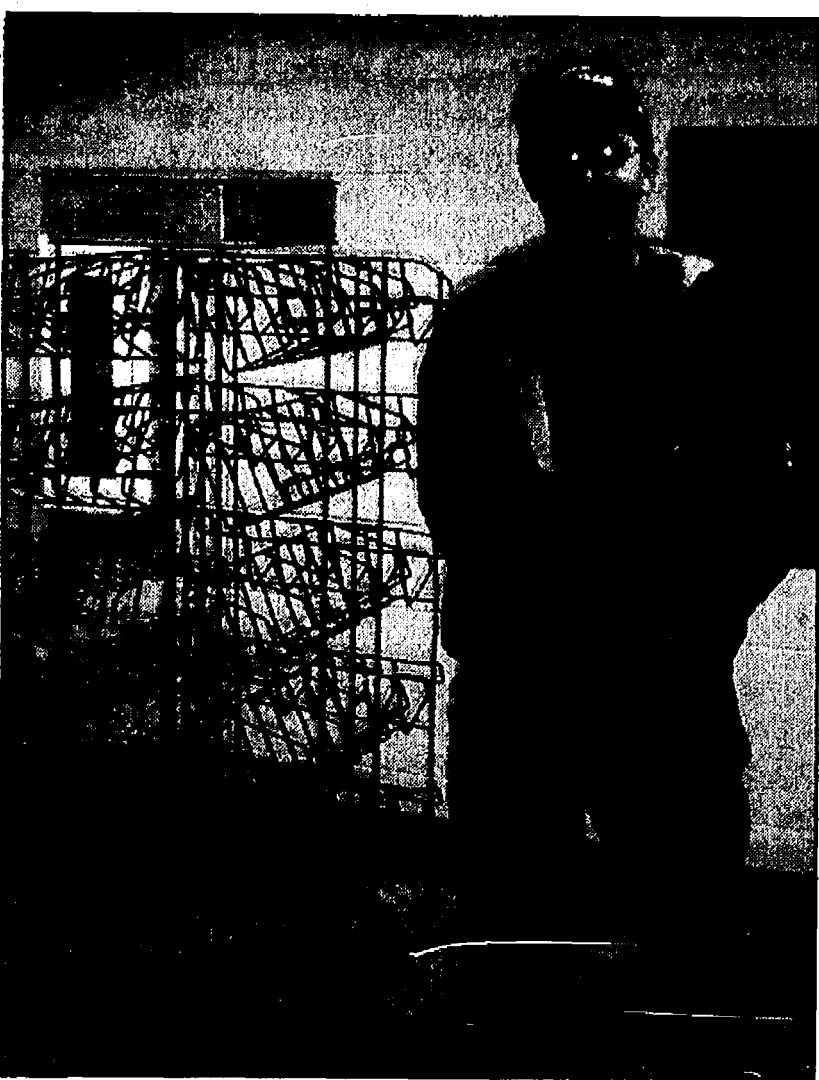


Photo courtesy of the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library

Tony Thomson, of Grayling, recently donated this paperback book rack which was once a fixture at Dawson's (now Stevens Family Circle) and is a piece of Grayling's past. Many paperback books are donated to the library which can be borrowed and carry no late fees.

## Native plant landscaping, gardening workshop offered

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District will offer a workshop Friday, May 16 titled "Native Plant Landscaping and Gardening Workshop."

This very informative workshop on using plants of the Jack Pine Region will be held in conjunction with the Kirtland Warbler Festival at the Continuing Education Center of Kirtland Community College, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. that day.

Presentations planned:

- "Stalking the Globally Rare Pine Barrens Ecosystem in Northern Michigan," by Phyllis Higman, of the Michigan Natural Features Inventory.

- "USDA NRCS Plant Materials Program -- Conservation Plants and Plant Technology," by Dave Burgdorf, of the Rose Lake Plant Materials Center.

- "Erosion Control for Lakefront Property Owners," by

Jeff Silagy, of the Michigan Department of Water Quality.

- "Going Native in the Jack Pine," by Elaine Chittenden, of the W.J. Beal Botanical Garden, Michigan State University.

- "Non-Chemical Pest Control for Gardens," by Russ Kidd, Michigan State University Extension.

- "Master Gardener Certification Program," by Russ Kidd.

Advance registration is required by May 9 and fee includes lunch, refreshments and workshop material.

For further information and a reservation form, contact the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231; fax (989) 275-3170; by e-mail to [barb-stauffer@mi.nacnet.org](mailto:barb-stauffer@mi.nacnet.org); or stop by the District's office at 606 Lake Street in the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

## Severe weather safety class offered at library

Crawford County Emergency Management and the National Weather Service has teamed up to present a Severe Weather Safety Class next week.

The class will teach participants how to identify cloud formations, how severe storms are formed, and how to report severe weather.

The Severe Weather Safety class will be presented free of charge on Tuesday, April 29, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street in Grayling. Everyone is welcome to attend and no registration is needed.

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## FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

### GROWTH PLATE INJURIES VS. SPRAINS

Growth plates are structures on the ends of a child's bones that are designed to allow bones to grow to adult size. The plates typically close naturally by early adolescence. If an injury occurs and is not treated before the growth plate closes, the bone's growth may become compromised, leading to deformities. Children commonly suffer growth plate injuries and sprains from falls, sports, and other accidents. Because the symptoms of both injuries are similar and X-rays often fail to reveal growth plate fractures, it is important to rule out growth plate injuries during a medical consultation. Growth plate injuries are treated with immobilization and/or protection with a cast and/or surgery in the case of severe misalignment of the plate.

The best way to determine the exact cause, location, and seriousness of a foot condition is to have a podiatric evaluation, including medical history, examination, and tests. And at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., complete instructions for follow-up care and prevention are also an integral part of any treatment plan we suggest. For complete foot care for children, adults, and seniors, please call us at 922-9100 & 800-968-7440. We're located at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings. PS. Growth plate injuries typically heal within four to six weeks.

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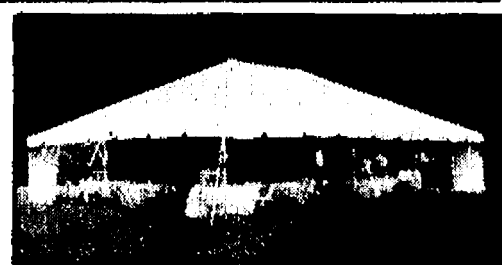
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# The Bible Speaks

## Anti-War Roots

While driving through Tennessee on March 24th, I heard Nashville talk-show host Phil Valentine alleging that the local anti-war movement is identified with the Communist Party USA. He stated that they shared the same building, with the same telephone number, and the same address. I listened as a hostile caller questioned his ethics and accused him of trying to prove guilt by association. So Phil posted on the Internet the website of The Nashville Peace & Justice Center to make the facts more available. (You may do as I did and personally check out this information at <http://www.philvalentine.com/NashvillePeaceJusticeCenter.htm>)

Phil informed listeners that the United Methodist Church, the Communist Party USA, and the Democratic Socialists of America were all member organizations of the Nashville Peace and Justice Center (NPJC). The United Methodist Church even owns the building where the NPJC resides. Mike Ripski, the pastor of the 2,000-member Hendersonville First United Methodist Church, a nearby congregation made a public statement saying he is not bothered by their affiliation.

In defending their association, Ripski said, "At one point, these groups [that make up the NPJC] came together because there was agreement on an issue that seemed

to make sense working together on," he says. "That doesn't mean that the group will always agree on every issue that comes up." Kipski added, "Sometimes it's helpful to be a part of groups and in context!" Ripski continued, "We're not going to all think alike because our differences of perspective and our differences of belief keep us all on our toes, and provide a kind of check on what otherwise might become arrogance and self-righteous pride."

Phil also reported that, "The Workers World Party, a self-proclaimed 'Marxist-Leninist' organization staged the anti-war protests in Washington, San Francisco and elsewhere. The Nashville Peace & Justice Center is an affiliate of National Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC). Most of these liberals also support the National and World Council of Churches."

You remember during the Vietnam conflict when we wrote several articles exposing many of the antiwar groups for collecting millions of dollars in American churches and sending it to support communist guerilla warfare in the name of Liberation Theology. Now we are not claiming that all war protestors are Communists, Socialists, or Marxists. But neither do all war protestors have a past reputation of being meek and humble pacifists.

Jesus said in Matthew 7:17,18: "Even so every good tree bringeth

forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. 18A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit." So Jesus said in Matthew 7:20: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." Trace their money, their friends, and their fellowship to examine their fruit. Then you can know for yourself if they have been growing on the same tree and have been nourished by the same root system. Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## Kids celebrate spring break



Jonah Mead, Sam Wagner and Kaelan O'Toole enjoy the 'boys club' tent during Camping Day.

While the weather outside was frightful, the staff and children at Crawford-AuSable Day Care and Preschool got into the spirit of spring break by having theme days during the week that Crawford AuSable School District was on spring break.

On April 1, the children had

pajama day and watched movies and ate popcorn in their pjs.

Wednesday brought Camping Day and the children dressed for a campout and played in the tents. They sat in the light of a glowing pretend fire and listened to campfire stories and enjoyed a special lunch with a hot dog roast

and S'mores.

Thursday brought snow outside and Beach Day inside. The kids dressed in beach attire and the day care staff built indoor sandboxes, water tables and beach games. The kids also enjoyed a pizza lunch provided by a day care mom.

## Speaker to discuss Bible prophecy

Rev. Richard Madison, international speaker on Bible prophecy, will be ministering at the Burning Bush Tabernacle beginning on Sunday, April 27.

Services on Sunday will be held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and will continue throughout the

week nightly at 7 p.m., including Saturday, May 3. On Sunday, May 4, Rev. Madison will be concluding his meetings at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend what Burning Bush's Pastor Petrie

describes as "life-changing" services.

Following the first Sunday morning meeting, April 27, dinner will be served for all who attend.

For more information, call Pastor Petrie at (989) 348-1278.



It's spring! Burly bears sleepily emerge from dark winter dens. Tulip and daffodil bulbs sprout from chilly beds to show their heads in the lovely light of springtime. Birds will lay their young; soon they, too, will open newborn eyes to this vibrant environment. The earth awakens once more!

"The Lord is God, and He has given us light...O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!" (Ps.118:27-29)

Did you keep resolutions in January and celebrate love in February? If you missed your chance, spring is a most appropriate

## Into The Light

time to emerge from whatever darkness may have been clouding your happiness and to celebrate the newness of life.

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Tuesday.....7 pm

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Pastor Rev. Gary Hopp  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Chapel Service.....11 am  
Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
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Daniel Baldermann-Associate Pastor  
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Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United**  
**Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth  
Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

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Sunday  
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

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Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
Relief Society.....12 noon

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service &  
Children's Church.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting.....9:45 am  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman  
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348-5224  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
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Church School.....11 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

**Friendship Church**  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....10 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

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**Community**  
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Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study  
(Sundays).....9:15 am  
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Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
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Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Church**  
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Wednesday.....7 pm  
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E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
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Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
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Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
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Sunday  
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
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Pastor Terry Colby  
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Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
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Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
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## Grayling Middle School students perform at solo and ensemble festival

The Grayling Middle School seventh and eighth grade band members participated in the Michigan Schools Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) District 2 Junior High Solo and Ensemble Festival held at Kalkaska Middle School on April 12.

The students performed in a variety of events from solos and duets to a percussion ensemble, brass quintet and clarinet choir.

According to Matt Bishop,

Associate Director of Bands in the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) the students received many positive comments from their adjudicators and gained valuable experience. "We are extremely proud of all of those students that participated this year in Solo and Ensemble Festival," he said.

Almost 80 percent of all seventh and eighth grade band members participated this year in the festival. These students were

required to meet with their directors and accompanist, Jill Scarzo, (if required by their music) several times. "This is a great teaching tool because it allows students to end up taking private lessons for a good part of the year in order to attain the success that we all desire," said David Gott, Director of Bands in the CASD. He added that most students were able to attain a good level of success when they worked hard over a prolonged

period of time. He noted that all students improved because of all the extra practice needed for this event.

The final result from the festival resulted in 21 ratings of I, 11 ratings of II, two ratings of III and 4 events requested comments only and did not receive a rating. Gott said that rating of I or II is quite good and receiving the comments of others knowledgeable in the field is extremely important.



Eighth graders who participated in the solo and ensemble festival are (back row, left to right) Patricia Thomson, Adrianna Voelker, Kelly Lange, Erica Moggo, Kattie Murray, Jessica Bobenmoyer, Brittney Stoddard, Ashley Jurkovich, Dennis Nelson, Jon Kane, Nick Fitzpatrick. Middle row: Robert Ramaswamy, Monica Leslie, Colleen Fleishmann, Alex Mosel, Angie Martella, Megan Burrick. Front Row: Charles Hughes, Nicholas Parkinson, Ryan Seewald, James Hilbrecht.



The seventh graders who participated in the solo and ensemble festival are: (back row, left to right) Ethan Lynch, Nathan Parens, Andrew Currison, Brandon McMahon, Eva Clark, Nathan Pickell, Joshua Bofysil, Nicole Hedden, Richard McNamara, Reid Holzbauer. Middle row: Larissa Hohl, Julie Teal, James Thao, Christopher Wells, Lacey Hollingsworth, Cassandra Pizzi, Annie Melroy, Andria Howe, Christopher Petrie, Fawn Filley, Jessica Brandt. Front row: Kristina Weiso, Renee Clair, Rachel Ward, Kyle Halstead, Storm Shriver, Kilah Vanderstelt, Jamie Denno, Laura Cross.

## SARS KO's trips to China

► Public invited on educational excursions to places of Russia

While planned student exchanges and faculty trips to China have been canceled due to the outbreak of the SARS disease, two other excursions to Russia have been opened to the public, said Kirtland's Tatyana Puchkova, chairman of the Michigan Global Awareness Consortium.

The MGAC had hoped to send one Kirtland student to participate in a 10-day exchange trip to

Beijing. It also had planned to send a faculty group for a 10-day educational visit to the Chinese city. Both trips were scheduled for late May.

But the MGAC has opened to the public the opportunity to visit Moscow and St. Petersburg in a 13-day trip (dates to be determined) that costs just \$2,400 per person. That includes airfare, all meals, lodging, entrance fees, transportation and tours, guides and interpreters and tickets to cultural events like ballet, folk dance and all other entertainment.

The consortium also is planning an excursion to Russia's Lake Baikal, one of the most

remote areas of the world and the largest body of fresh water on the planet in a two-week trip July 6-18 that also includes a side trip to Moscow.

The Russian capital is eight time zones away from Lake Baikal, which is located in Southeastern Siberia.

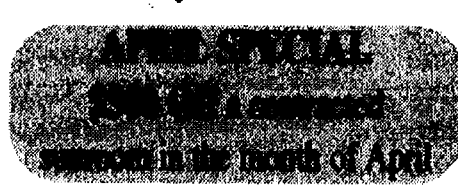
The trip, which costs \$2,900 per person, will feature opportunities to fish, hike, raft, ride horses and see some of the most under-discovered ancient Buddhist shrines and sacred sites.

For more information on either trip, phone (989) 275-5000, ext. 394 or e-mail puchkovt@kirtland.edu.



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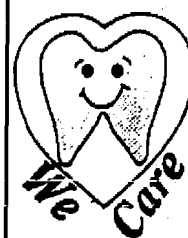
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## OBITUARIES

**Lee Boyd Jenkins**  
*Aug. 11, 1928-April 18, 2003*  
Lee Boyd Jenkins, age 74, of Grayling, died Friday, April 18 at Grayling Nursing Centre. He was born on August 11, 1928 in Waverly, Kentucky to Roy Lee and Mary Belle (Willet) Jenkins.

Mr. Jenkins was married to Alberta Mae (Stickley) on February 12, 1948 in Kentucky. Mr. Jenkins lived in Warren and moved to Grayling in 1989. He was an outdoorsman who loved to deer hunt with a gun and a bow. He was also a carpenter who enjoyed doing woodcrafting projects. He worked for Brigg's Beauty Ware from 1948 to 1974, and then worked for Warren School System from 1974 to 1988, until he retired.

He is survived by his wife, Alberta; two daughters, Sherry (Sabatino) Pozzi of Troy and Ella (Mike) Santamore of Florida; three sons, Tom Jenkins of Florida, Don (Maria) Jenkins of California and Timothy (Kathleen) Jenkins of Macomb Township; ten grandchildren, Heather, Diana, Sam, Howard, Amy, Jennifer, Kelly, Janel, Alisa, Cindy; six great-grandchildren, Cory, Lisa, Amanda, Walter Jr., Brody, Zackery; one sister, Bobbie Lou (Eddie) Barnes of Florida; and one brother, Ray (Sally) Jenkins of Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four sisters, Clare Givens, Mattie Moore, Barb Degan, Ann Higgs; one brother, Tom Jenkins; and one son, Roy Jenkins who died on August 26, 1988.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, April 26 at 11 a.m. at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Reverend Jeffrey Jagers will officiate.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Frank H. Nichols**  
*Aug. 30, 1939 - April 4, 2003*  
Frank H. Nichols, age 63, of Stockbridge and formerly of Grayling, died April 4 at his home. He was born on August 30, 1939 in Detroit, to Frank J. and Mary (Dorsey) Nichols.

Frank lived in Grayling from 1969 to 1983. He was employed at the Brighton Correctional Facility for the past 16 years. He also raised and trained dogs for the Leader Dog program; his dogs always passed the test. Frank also enjoyed snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, camping and feeding the birds and deer.

He is survived by his four children, Frank W. Nichols of Oklahoma City, OK; Sandra Marie Ploetz of Ray, and Dean J. and Michael G. Nichols both of Macomb; four grandchildren; one brother, Donald Nichols of Belleville; one sister, Rose Marie Owens of Grayling; and special friend Barbara Lewis of Jackson.

The family received friends and relatives on Tuesday, April 8. No other service or visitation will be held.

When you see it snow or watch a bird fly or see deer, remember Frank.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Leader Dog for the Blind program, Rochester.

Arrangements by Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home, 424 E. Main Street, Stockbridge, MI 49285.

**James A. Pelton**  
*April 18, 2003*  
James A. Pelton, age 64, of Roscommon, died April 18. Funeral services were held on April 21 at Sorenson Funeral Home.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Barbara L. Olsen**  
*February 1, 2003*  
Barbara L. Olsen, age 71, of Rochester Hills, died February 1.

Mrs. Olsen spent her summers in Grayling, and in the past years, she volunteered at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

She was the wife of the late Walter; loving mother of Janis (Tom) Joyce, Michael (Beth) Olsen, Nancy (Keith) Anderson, Scott (Julie) Olsen and Mary (Greg) Wiedbusch. She was the proud grandmother of ten grandchildren who loved visiting grandma at the cottage.

Memorials can be directed to Hospice of Michigan.

Services were held in Rochester Hills. Burial was in Royal Oak.

**Clifford Guy Henderlong**  
*Jan. 27, 1936 - April 11, 2003*  
Clifford Guy Henderlong, age 67, of Grayling, died April 11, 2003. He was born on January 27, 1936 in Detroit.

Mr. Henderlong was the dear father of Kris Anne and son-in-law, Scott Bly. He was the grandfather of Justin, Sara and Lauren; beloved brother of Lawrence and sister, Geraldine.

Burial Service will be held on Friday, May 9 at 11 a.m. at Oakwood Cemetery, Lyon Township, Higgins Lake.

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Life is a journey that everyone travels, and sometimes we're lost in the depths of the night.

Yet even in darkness, our hearts will be lifted, tears will be ended, hope will shine bright.

For out of the place where our grief is the deepest, up from the valley and on toward the height, through every shadow, we walk in His presence, gently and graciously led by His light.

Sincerely,  
Stacey, Shannon,  
Christie and Jeannie

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during April 23 - 29 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: April 23 - 24; April 29.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek: April 25 - 29.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Occasionally, the Post Commander without additional notice to the public may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371.

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 90 complaints the week of April 14-20:

One EMS response, nine traffic accidents, 13 non-traffic accidents, one traffic public safety appearance, two motor vehicle inspections, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, five suspicious situations, two lost and found property, 11 general non-criminal, one trees/brush/grass fire, two false alarm activations;

One assault/intimidation/stalking, one burglary/ home invasion, two larceny, one stolen property, six damage to property, one possession of marijuana, one family offense/abuse/neglect, 10 public peace/disorderly, one operating under the influence of alcohol, six health and safety, three conservation, one vagrancy, two miscellaneous criminal offense, three driving violations/DWLS, etc.

For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following 56 complaints during the period from April 13 - April 20:

Six larceny, five assist other departments, five juveniles, one personal property accident, one felony arrest, one motorist assist;

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The Grayling High School baseball team conducted a fundraiser – a Smelt and Chicken Dinner Benefit – on April 9 at the Northern Cafe. The event helped the squad raise money – over \$800 – that will help cover costs associated with an upcoming summer baseball camp at Central Michigan University and the team's food expenses throughout the 2003 baseball season. Pictured are: GHS baseball coach Robert Gorski and Clyde Halleaz, Donna Halleaz, and Sharon Johnson of Northern Cafe. Burger King, Knights of Columbus, and Glen's also made donations. Craig Stewart coordinated the event, and Jim Tobin, Craig Stewart, Jack Stewart, Mandy Czapek, Steve Czapek, and Mr. Starks served as cooks. GHS players, under the direction of Johnson, served as waiters for the evening. Coach Gorski said the event was a "huge success."

## DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for May. Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

Immunization clinics: May 7 and 21.

Family planning: May 6 and 20.

Optional/confidential HIV/AIDS testing: Call for

appointment.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: May 8-9-13-14-19-21-22 and 29.

Breast and cervical cancer screening: May 13 and 27. Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This program is available to women ages 40-64, who have limited or no health

insurance.

Other services are available; call (989)348-7800 for appointment.

Other health services include: Maternal/Infant support - Families Matter, Environmental Health (well and septic permits, food service, water testing, etc.), HIV/AIDS testing, OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard

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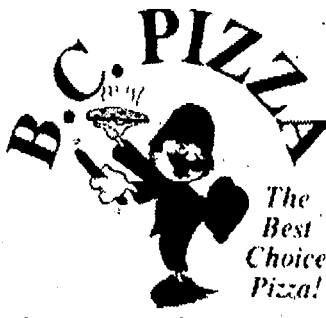


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The Crawford County United Way Executive Board recently honored longtime board member, Jeanette Kitchen (right), for her many years of service and dedication to the organization. Kitchen became active in the local United Way in 1987. A plaque commemorating the occasion was presented to Kitchen by Crawford's United Way president, Nancy Hunt (left).

## MILITARY NEWS

**Air Force Staff Sergeant Timothy M. Mead** has arrived for duty at Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City, Florida. Mead is a tactical aircraft maintenance craftsman assigned to the 83rd Fighter Weapons Squadron. The staff sergeant is a 1993 graduate of Grayling High School. He is the son of Patty S. and Robert A. Mead of Grayling.

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## Local bank appoints new treasury management officer

Citizens Bank has announced the appointment of Linda P. McGee to Assistant Vice President, Treasury Management Officer. She is responsible for attending to the needs of clients seeking commercial treasury management services, coordinating system design, modification, and implementation of treasury management systems and providing training for client's employees in the use of treasury management systems. McGee covers the bank's northern region including Saginaw, Alpena, Bay City, Midland, Standish, Cadillac, Charlevoix, and Grayling.



Linda P. McGee

"We are very fortunate to have someone with Linda's professionalism, talent, commitment, integrity and experience as part of our business banking team. Linda brings a very successful background to her new job that will enhance the value of every client's relationship that she encounters," said Gary Glaza president of Citizens Bank's northern region.

McGee has spent over 20 years in marketing, public relations and communications, 15 spent with Citizens Bank-Saginaw. From 1985 to 1989 she was Director of Public Relations for the bank's mid-Michigan region, from 1989-1992 the Director of Corporate Marketing and most recently served as the Director of Marketing and Public Relations for the mid-Michigan region from 1992-2000. She has rejoined Citizens Bank after recently

moving back to Michigan from Hot Springs, Arkansas.

She is the recipient of the Women of Distinction Award from the Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council, received a Proclamation from the City of Saginaw and was also awarded the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce prestigious President's Award.

McGee is an active member of her community. She previously served as a Steering Committee Member and Vice Chairman of TriSource (Tri-County Business Expo), she is a past member of the Saginaw Chamber of Commerce Marketing, Image and Research Committee, has served on several committees for the Leadership Saginaw Alumni and was a past Chairman and Board Member of the Downtown Saginaw Association.

McGee received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Arkansas State University and attended the School of Bank Marketing at the University of Colorado. She is a resident of Saginaw.

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# 83RD DISTRICT COURT

## Sentencings for March 2003

### Hon. John G. Hunter

Raymond William Lewis, age 25 of Fairview - OUIL/per se; \$1,480 fines/costs or 93 days in jail, placed on 366 days probation.

Amber Lynn Apperson, age 30 of Frederic - Domestic Violence; \$910 fines/costs or 91 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Richard Joseph Roshy, age 17 of Grayling - Aggravated Assault; \$1,230 fines/costs or 225 days in jail, \$1,021.50 restitution, 120 days in jail, placed on 731 days probation.

Anthony David LaChance, age 18 of Grayling - Malicious destruction of a building - less than \$200; \$810 fines/costs or 78 days in jail, 45 days in jail with credit for 30 days served, placed on 180 days probation.

Angela Marie Morgan, age 32 of Mio - Non-sufficient funds check under \$100; \$160 fines/costs or 18 days in jail, \$20 restitution.

Kalvin Smith Jr., age 25 of Grayling - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

April Ann McKee, age 17 of Higgins Lake - Minor purchase/possess/consume alcohol, disturbance of the peace, Youth Tobacco Act violation; \$345 fines/costs or 34 days in jail.

Brian Patrick Wolfe, age 23 of Warren - Hunt within safety zone of 150 yards, Attempt - Illegal deer/bear/turkey; \$940 fines/costs or 93 days in jail.

Cassandra Jane Woodworth, age 18 of Eaton Rapids - No proof of insurance; \$120 fines/costs.

Jamie Cole Gilliam, age 31 of Roscommon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$670 fines/costs or 67 days in jail, placed on 122 days probation.

Trevor Thomas Jones, age 52 of Roscommon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$360 fines/costs or 36 days in jail.

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Steven Michael Sarkozi, age 48 of Grayling - OUIL/per se; \$860 fines/costs or 86 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Eric Wayne West, age 29 of Houghton Lake - Operate without security, License plates expired; \$370 fines/costs or 37 days in jail.

Michael John Demoinis Jr., age 20 of Frederic - Operate without security; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

Kenneth William Geyer, age 57 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Wayne Lee McCranie, age 45 of Newport - Controlled Substance Possession of Marijuana, License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$1,210 fines/costs or 121 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Joshua Allen Spencer, age 17 of Frederic - Retail Fraud Third Degree, Minor purchase/possess/consume; \$440 fines/costs, 60 days in jail, placed on 180 days probation.

James Duncan Gorman, age 42 of Fife Lake - OUIL/per se; \$910 fines/costs or 91 days in jail, five days in jail with credit for one day served, placed on 184 days probation.

Kathleen Marie Miller, age 46 of Roscommon - Impaired driving; \$750 fines/costs or 75 days in jail.

Daniel L. Latesky Jr., age 28 of Grayling - Operate without security, improper use of a license plate, no valid license in possession; \$600 fines/costs or 60 days in jail.

Mary Lynn Smith, age 29 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Anthony Thomas Thorton, age 24 of Grayling - Domestic Violence; \$830 fines/costs or 83 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Nicole Suzanne Myers, age 25 of Grayling - Operate without security; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

James Westley Jacobs, age 34 of Montrose - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$160 fines/costs or 16 days in jail.

Nadine Darlene Reynolds, age 38 of Grayling - Attempt to resist/obstruct an officer; \$630 fines/costs or 63 days in jail.

Joseph Lewis Book, age 29 of Grayling - Operate without security, drove while unlicensed/ license not valid, license plates, expired; \$450 fines/costs or 45 days in jail.

Terra Dawn Stephan, age 27 of Grayling - Two counts of Malicious Destruction of Personal Property over \$200 and under \$1,000; \$420 fines/costs or 42 days in jail.

Chad Michael Nestor, age 21 of Napoleon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$410 fines/costs or 41 days in jail, placed on 122 days probation.

Thomas Charles Caverly, age 41 of Waterford - Snowmobile - operate while license suspended/revoked/denied; \$260 fines/costs.

Thomas Scott Edwards, age 38 of Pontiac - Snowmobile - operate while license suspended/revoked/denied; \$260 fines/costs.

Todd Lee Crickon, age 33 of Grayling - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$410 fines/costs or 41 days in jail.

Christopher Mark Pollington, age 17 of Grayling - Assault/Assault & Battery; six days in jail with credit for six days served.

Hon. Francis L. Walsh

Timothy Scott Page, age 23 of Frederic - False report of a

misdeemeanor; \$160 fines/costs or 14 days in jail.

Tina Marie Krohn, age 19 of Roscommon - Drove while unlicensed/license not valid, registration - fail to transfer, \$175 fines/costs.

Frank Allen Krajenka, age 38 of Grayling - License plates expired, no proof of insurance; \$195 fines/costs.

Virgil Kenneth Farner, age 20 of Roscommon - OUIL/per se; \$860 fines/costs or 60 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Stephen Pepsin, age 51 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Jessica Ann Weaver, age 22 of Frederic - License plates expired, no proof of insurance; \$175 fines/costs.

Peter Toma, age 21 of Dearborn - Operate without security, License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$570 fines/costs or 30 days in jail.

Lorne Shane Toth, age 37 of Beaverton - Crawford County Snowmobile Ordinance violation; \$160 fines/costs.

Anthony Lee O'Dell, age 17 of Grayling - Youth Tobacco Act Violation; \$75 fines/costs or seven days in jail.

Thomas James Lozon, age 34 of Grayling - Aggravated Assault; 365 days in jail with credit for 365 days served, restitution to be determined, placed on 24 months probation.

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Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
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Leaves Grayling	6:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	7:00 a.m.
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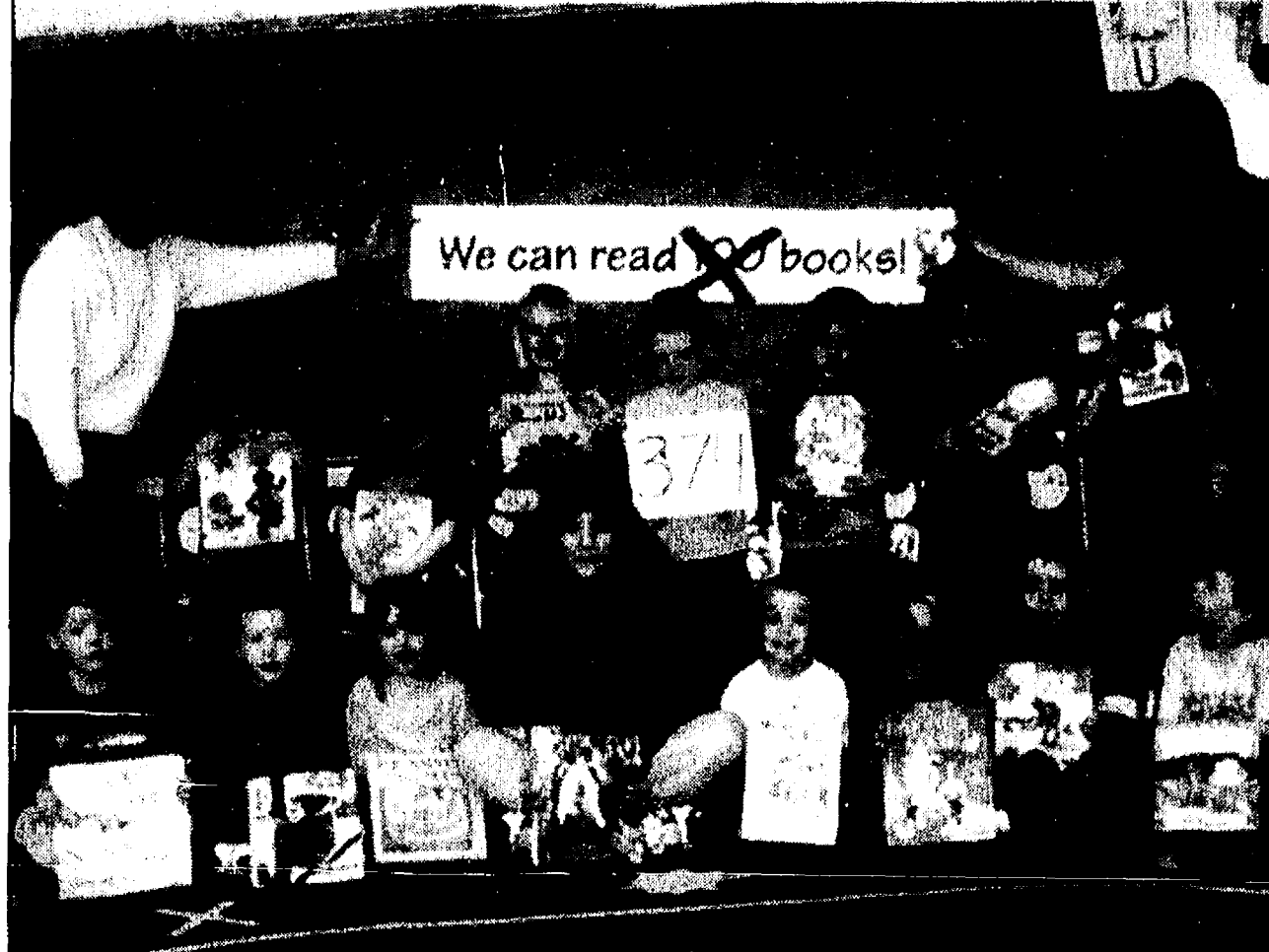
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## Super readers at Frederic Head Start

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The NEMCSA Frederic Head Start class set a goal of reading 100 books during March Reading Month. With the help of parents and volunteers they were able to read a total of 374 books.

## Honors students to really clean up

Kirtland's honors students are rolling up their sleeves in an effort to help beautify their neighborhood, sponsoring a cleanup of F-97 near campus.

The cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 26 at 2 p.m. Volunteers are welcomed and appreciated.

With a good amount of participants, the job can be done in just over an hour, said Kathy Koch, contact advisor for Alpha Omicron Gamma Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society.

"We're having a pot luck luncheon afterward in the Student Center and whether you can bring a dish or not, you're welcome to join us," she added.

For more information about the cleanup, and to volunteer, phone (989) 275-5000, ext. 253.

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## Math pays off for charity fundraiser



**Kindergartner Wyatt Thompson shows off the prize he won for raising over \$170 for charity.**

Frederic Elementary students raised \$800 by doing math problems during the month of February.

All students were given a set of math problems to do. They went out to family and friends to ask for pledges for completing their problems.

The students raised \$800 for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. St. Jude's works with children who suffer from leukemia and other forms of cancer.

## Mercy Hospital helps kids explore health care careers

It's a little after lunchtime at the Grayling Elementary School and a third grader has come down with case of uncontrollable giggles. What's so funny? Digestion.

A nurse from Mercy Hospital Grayling has loaned him her stethoscope and is showing him how to listen in as his gastric acid makes short work of the peanut butter sandwich he just wolfed down. This is hilarious stuff for an eight-year-old. It's also a great way to begin explaining how health care professionals evaluate a patient's health.

Employees at Mercy Hospital Grayling have been traveling to area schools to explain how they do their jobs in an effort to pique student interest in health care careers. The new program has gone over exceptionally well, said Agnes Feldman, recruiting services coordinator for the hospital. "Kids are becoming interested in careers they've never heard of before," she said.

Mercy Hospital Grayling staff will take their equipment and expertise next door to visit again with AuSable Primary School students on May 5, 12 and 19. Those will be the final presentations for this school year, Feldman said. She's been very happy with the career education program's debut.

The program's success stems from a spirit of cooperation between the hospital and the schools. "We know medicine. They know kids," Feldman said. "We've worked together on our presentations so they aren't too technical. We thought we should stay away from the gory aspects, but then we learned that middle school kids love gore."

On presentation days, classrooms are turned into mock operating rooms, patient rooms, emergency rooms, and pharmacies.

Students are assigned roles, either as patient, clinician or support staff, and are walked through the various duties of the person they represent. The demonstrations are complete with medical scrubs, medical instruments and equipment.

Staff members from nearly every department, from surgery to maintenance, have participated. They speak about their own jobs and about some of the lesser-known related jobs in their particular field.

"The kids love it," Sue Pinsoneault, career education teacher at Roscommon Middle School said. "They get to see someone who actually is working in that job. It makes it so much more real

than reading about it in a catalogue. They're hearing about the advantages and the disadvantages, how much education it takes, what the payscale is like. They're getting it right from the horse's mouth."

Feldman said one important message being delivered is that many health care careers don't require the extensive levels of higher education that some students may find as an obstacle.

"There are some jobs that they think require six years of college and they are thrilled to know that they require only two years," she said. "They're very excited to learn that they can be a forensic medical technician in two years."

The Mercy Hospital Grayling staff prides itself on presentations that are informative and fun. A pharmacy technician, for instance, directs students as they mix up a batch of lip balm, while a pharmacist does an exercise that involves students counting Skittles under prescription bottles. But Pharmacy director Jeff Steffey is also quick to point out that his job involves a lot more than counting pills into bottles.

Exposing children to a variety of careers is a great way to get them to think about their future, Pinsoneault said.

## MDOT's road repair guide available

The Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) 2003 road repair guide, "Paving the Way," is now available.

This free publication provides a useful reference to major road and bridge projects during the 2003 construction season.

The beginning of spring means MDOT is only days away from the unofficial start of construction across the state, said State Transportation Director Gloria J. Jeff. "Planning ahead is one of the best ways to avoid construction-related delays and this guide is the best tool in the box for such a task," Jeff said.

"Paving the Way" is available at MDOT's Transportation Service Centers, at Michigan Welcome Centers, and is posted at state rest areas. Along with the

printed map, a regularly update electronic version is now available on MDOT's web site at [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot).

MDOT also recommends calling its 24-hour information lines when traveling in metro Detroit or west Michigan. Motorists can call 1-800-641-MDOT for 24-hour, toll-free access to project information for Detroit's tri-county area. When traveling in west or southwest Michigan, motorists should call 1-888-305-PAVE.

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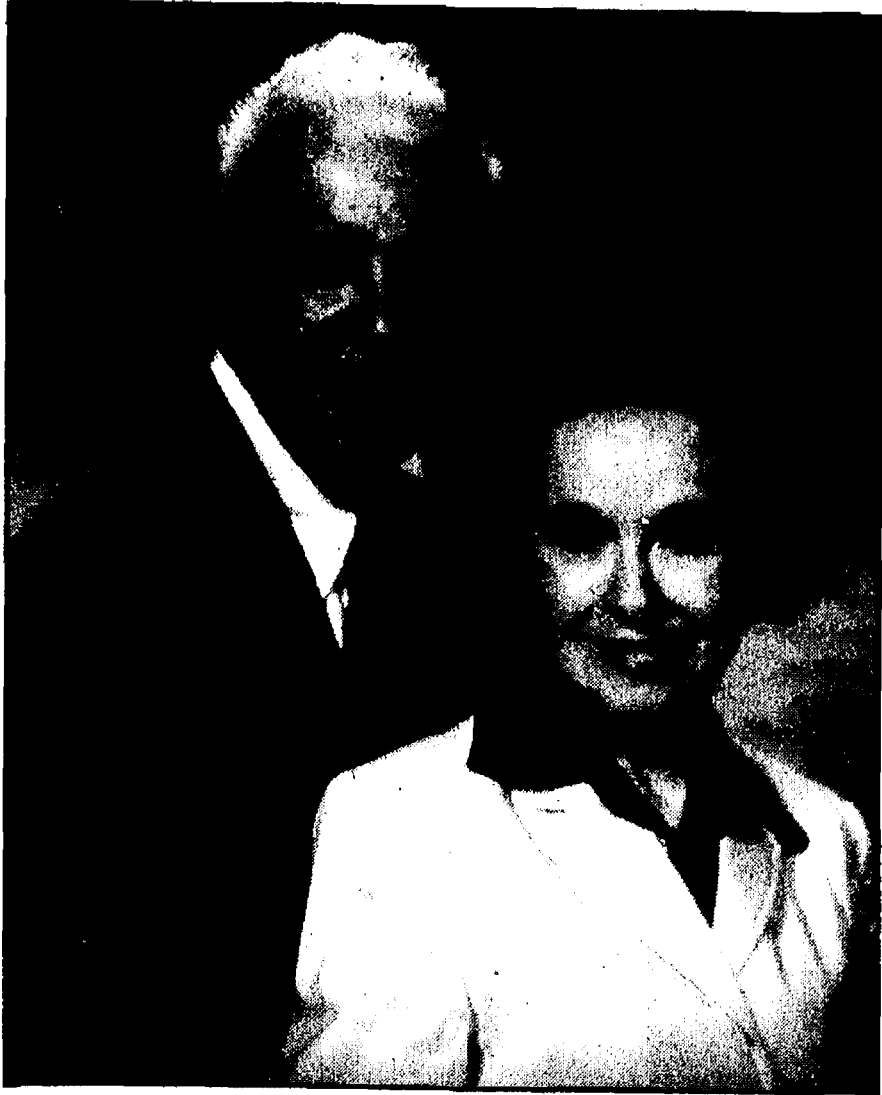
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## Paulsens celebrate 50 years



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Paulsen

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Mr. and Mrs. Paulsen currently live in Margrethe Manor on Danish Landing Road. Their love story began when they met at the Danish Landing itself on Lake Margrethe in August of 1952.

Bob had arranged to rent a cottage for an officer friend and his family so they could enjoy the lake while the officer and Bob attended to their duties while training as National Guardsmen.

The officer and his wife had also invited two young ladies who worked with the officer to spend a week at the lake with their family.

One of the ladies was already married and her husband was in Korea. The officer planned on Bob escorting the other young lady, who turned out to be Lee, to the Officers' Ball that was to be held that weekend.

Bob was not really big on the idea of a blind date, until he met Lee. It turned out that Bob couldn't attend the Officers' Ball

since, at the time, he was a Non-Commissioned Officer. However, Bob did manage to spend a good deal of time at the cottage where Lee was staying. It didn't take him long to realize that he wanted to see a lot more of the beautiful, young woman... which he did.

Well, they met in August, were engaged in November, and were married the following April, in 1953.

The Paulsens have four children, Robert III, Michael, Lori, and Michelle. Their family has also grown even larger with the addition of six grandchildren.

In August of 1953, Lee became a very proud wife when Bob won the coveted Stewart Medal for being the most outstanding soldier in his division. Bob went on to become a Commissioned Officer, and by the time he left the service in the early 1960s due to the demands of his civilian job, he had achieved the rank of Captain.

Neither Bob nor Lee can believe that after 50 years of marriage and five homes, they have ended up approximately one-half mile from where they first met in August 1952.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Nova Anderson

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29 - Chicken Ala King/Ham; Housing Tenant Council at 10

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Sally Riggie and Cary Vajda were united in marriage on March 3 at the Sandals Resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

The bride is manager of volunteer services at Mid-Michigan Medical Center, Midland. The groom is assistant admissions counselor for Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

The mother of the bride is Wilma Seward of Hope. The groom's parents are Charles and Elizabeth Vajda of Grayling.

The couple will reside in Midland.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library

Floral Art Quilts Workshop with Debra Danko will be held Thursday, May 15, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. This workshop will feature "Oversized Flower Power." Participants must sign up in advance and the cost is \$10. At 7 p.m., "From Traditional Quilts to Fabric Gardens" lecture and slide show will be presented free of charge.

Danko creates stunning floral quilts using art and textile techniques. Her award-winning work is seen in international quilt shows, quilting magazines and newspaper feature articles.

In the slide presentation, she will share her inspiration from her love of gardens and present how beautiful floral images are reproduced giant size in fabric and thread. She will bring a trunk show with many colorful quilts. Traditional and contemporary quilters and non-quilters alike will enjoy it.

A Genealogy Meeting is planned for Friday, May 16 at 7 p.m. Stop in at the Devereaux Library to share your progress, ask questions, and add to your research.

African Drum and Dance with Kevin Collins will be presented Wednesday, May 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with assemblies in the schools, featuring learning and fun with audience involvement. At 4 p.m., African Drum and Dance will make a presentation at the library, also with audience participation, at no charge.

Collins is a respected percussionist who shares his love of African music through lively participatory performances. He will bring an impressive collection of traditional percussion instruments from Africa. Learn what a "DeJemba" is and

get a chance to play. Collins plays in bands and directs.

Story Hour continues on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. until the end of May. We'll be back with story hour at the Devereaux Library in the fall.

### Lovells Community Library

A book sale will be held on Saturday, May 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Many quality used books will be on sale to raise funds in support of the library.

For more information about library services and book availability throughout the Crawford County Library system, call (989) 348-9214.

### Frederic Community Library

The Houghton Lake Postal employees purchased *The Jester* and *The Bear in the Attic* audio books in memory of Lois Southwell.

Bradford Lake Neighbors purchased the book *Historic Cottages of Mackinac Island* and *A Long Way from Home* in memory of Stephen Rudeen.

The Frederic Library will hold its annual plant exchange on Saturday, May 10 at 11 a.m. Anyone who has perennials and would like to trade for a different variety should bring their plants to the library parking lot at that time. The exchange will only last for an hour and is open to all interested gardeners.

The Summer Reading Program is set for every Thursday at 4 p.m. in the month of June. Each week there will be a story and craft project. Join in the fun.

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Motivational speaker, 6 pm  
Community kick-off walk, 6:30 pm  
**Mercy Hospital Grayling**  
May 14, 4 - 7 pm  
Motivational speaker, 6 pm  
Community kick-off walk, 6:30 pm  
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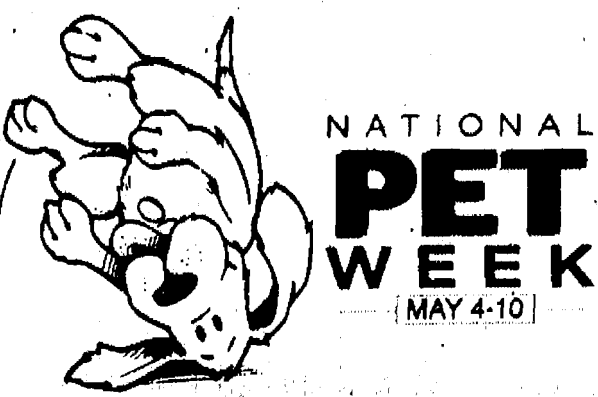
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## Prom royalty



Prom King Roger Alvarez, Queen Nicole Starr, Prince Andy Strohpaul and Princess Jamie Zelek enjoy a quiet moment at the Grayling High School prom held April 12. School officials were very pleased with the conduct of everyone at the dance. These sentiments were also echoed by the staff of the Houghton Lake Quality Inn who said that everyone associated with the prom, during both the decorating and the dance conducted themselves very well.

## In-school candy sales target of proposal

by Frank Kaminski  
Capital News Service

LANSING - Kids are getting bigger - but their empty calorie intake at school may soon get smaller.

The Legislature is considering a bill to prohibit the sale of chewing gum, candy and other non-nutritional food in public schools.

Rep. Frank Accavitti Jr., (D-Eastpointe) said he introduced the bill to combat Michigan's soaring rate of child obesity and believes it will encourage children to eat healthy diets.

The proposal coincides with Holland Community Hospital's identification of child obesity as "an issue of concern in Holland," said Wendy Wigger, the hospital's public relations secretary. "Child obesity is very much on our radar screen right now."

The proposal would help steer children toward a healthier lifestyle. But for it to be effective, schools also need to teach children how to lead a healthy lifestyle, Wigger said.

The measure faces opposition from districts that draw revenue from vending machines, people who believe parents -- not the government -- should control what children eat and those who support the spirit of the bill but believe it's too restrictive.

Backers contend that it will help children develop healthy eating habits early in life, combat a range of health problems resulting from too much junk food, reduce burdens on health care resources and improve people's productivity throughout life.

It would extend to beverages consisting of at least 35 percent sugar or other sweetener, juice drinks with less than 100 percent fruit or vegetable juice and all food and drinks with more than eight grams of fat per serving. Soft drinks couldn't be sold in elementary or middle schools. High schools could still sell soft drinks.

Under the proposal, school lunch programs would need to change their menus, most vending machines would be removed and school clubs could no longer hold candy fund-raisers on campus.

Accavitti said the change is necessary to protect the health of children. "We're sending our children to school to get a well-rounded education. Part of that is teaching them how to eat responsibly."

Tom Kochheiser, director of public relations for the Michigan Dental Association, said, "There has been an increase in tooth decay rate, which is partly attributable to the excess consumption of sugary foods. These kids need some healthy choices, whether that means banning these foods altogether or providing alternatives."

Co-sponsor John Pappageorge (R-Troy) said schools should ensure that students eat healthily. "The school system has a responsibility to do more than just teach the three Rs," he said.

Don Wotruba, director of legislative affairs for the Michigan Association of School Boards, said many schools use vending machine money to support athletics, national honor societies and other activities. If vending machines were banned, such programs may have to be eliminated.

The association has no formal position on the bill, leaving it up to local boards to decide whether to put vending machines in schools, Wotruba said.

Rep. Steve Tobocman (D-Detroit) acknowledged that revenues from non-nutritional foods have helped ease schools' financial troubles. But schools must not generate revenue at the expense of children's health, he said.

The bill would also make it more difficult for groups to hold fund-raisers, because many groups sell candy and other items that would be prohibited. But Accavitti said students could still raise money by selling sweets door to door or in shopping centers.

Accavitti said he would exempt high schools from the soft drink ban because students should have learned to make healthy beverage choices by then, Accavitti said.

The Michigan Soft Drink Association opposes the bill.

"The data show that the consumption of soft drinks in school is not a contributor to child obesity," said President William Lobenherz.

And even if soft drinks were no longer sold in schools, children would get them off campus or from home, Lobenherz said.

And June Bailey, president of the Michigan School Food Service Association, said the proposal would not effectively combat the problems junk food pose for children's health.

Rep. Brian Palmer, (R-Romeo), who chairs the Education Policy Committee, which will handle the bill, said, "I have a feeling school systems wouldn't really be positive on this. And kids wouldn't be positive on it."

Palmer said he is against the state regulating what foods can be sold in schools. "It's a personal choice on the part of parents and students. What's healthy and what's not? It's all relative. In mandating that, you need to be careful."

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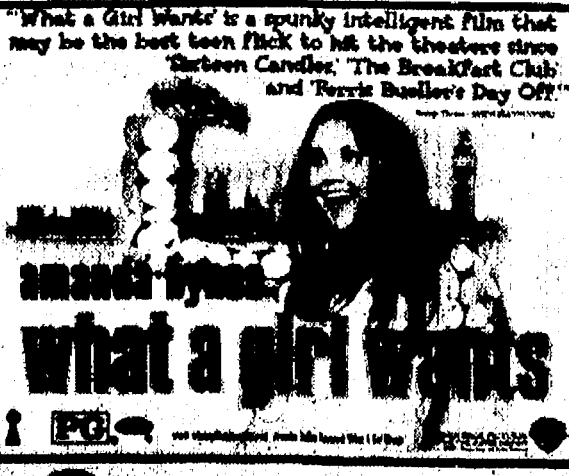
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## Vikings split on opening day

► Varsity team wins game one 6-5, falls to Bucks in game two 5-1

Grayling High School's varsity baseball team opened its 2003 season with a split, winning game one and losing game two of a doubleheader vs. the visiting Bucks of Roscommon last Monday in Grayling.

The Vikings won game one 6-5.

Ryan Davis, the winning pitcher, struck out nine batters and walked none in five innings of work. Davis, a sophomore, surrendered only two hits. Roy Czapiek pitched the final two innings for Grayling. He allowed one run on one hit, struck out two, and walked three.

At the plate, leading hitters for GHS were: Matt Strohpaul, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Greg Morrill, 2 for 3, 1 RBI; Joe Lange, 2 for 3; D.J. Metzger, 1 for 2 (2B), 1 RBI. Grayling had 10 hits in the game, in all.

"Ryan Davis threw a beautiful game, striking out nine and walking zero batters," said Coach Robert Gorski. "He also had an RBI single to help seal his first win of the season. Greg Morrill, a junior catching in his first varsity game, went 2 for 3 and threw out two Roscommon baserunners. Senior Matt Strohpaul went 2 for 3 with two RBI and junior Lee Schreiber contributed with one hit, two

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Photo by Caleb Casey

Ryan Davis pitches for the GHS varsity baseball team in its season opener vs. Roscommon last Monday. Davis, the winning pitcher in the match, struck out nine batters, walked none, and gave up only two hits in five innings.

## JV team wins, ties in opener

► Vikings win first game 11-6, second game ends in a 7-7 tie

In the team's season opener at Roscommon last Monday, the GHS junior varsity baseball squad defeated the host Bucks 11-6 in game one of a doubleheader, and the second game ended in a 7-7 tie.

In game one, Grayling posted a team batting average of .333 (8 for 24) and had 11 stolen bases.

Josh Hinkle was 3 for 4, including a double, with 3 runs scored and 2 RBI in the contest. Bobby Starks stole five bases in the match.

In the second game, GHS scored seven runs on six hits with six RBI. The team batted .353 as a group (6 for 17).

Matt Swope was 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored and T.J. Luke finished at 1 for 2 (with a double) and 2 RBI in game two.

"Eli VanNuck pitched very well in the first game. Matt Swope caught a strong game behind the plate and came in as a relief pitcher in both games,

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## Trout season opens on Saturday

► April 26 marks beginning of trout, walleye, and pike fishing seasons

Fishing season for trout, walleye, and pike opens on Saturday, April 26. If water temperatures continue to rise and rain holds off this week, area fishermen could be in for a good opener.

"Ice should be off all the lakes in the area. Water temperatures are starting to warm up, they're at about 40 degrees," said Jack Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop. "The fish are starting to get active."

This week's weather will have a big impact on how successful fishermen are on opening day of trout season, Millikin said. If there is little rain, water levels should be reasonable, allowing easy access to area rivers, he said. Also, "lots of rain can wash food into the water" and fish would then be less likely to take bait, he said.

Fly hatches are also affected by the weather.

For walleye and pike, Millikin said some of the area's smaller lakes — like Manistee Lake — might open the best fishing early in the season. Houghton Lake, which is fairly shallow and as a result warms up faster, should be decent for walleye fishing during opening weekend, he said.

Fishing conditions on Lake Margrethe will probably be "fair," Millikin said, but how active the fish are will largely depend on water temperatures.

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## Tennis team ties Boyne City 4-4

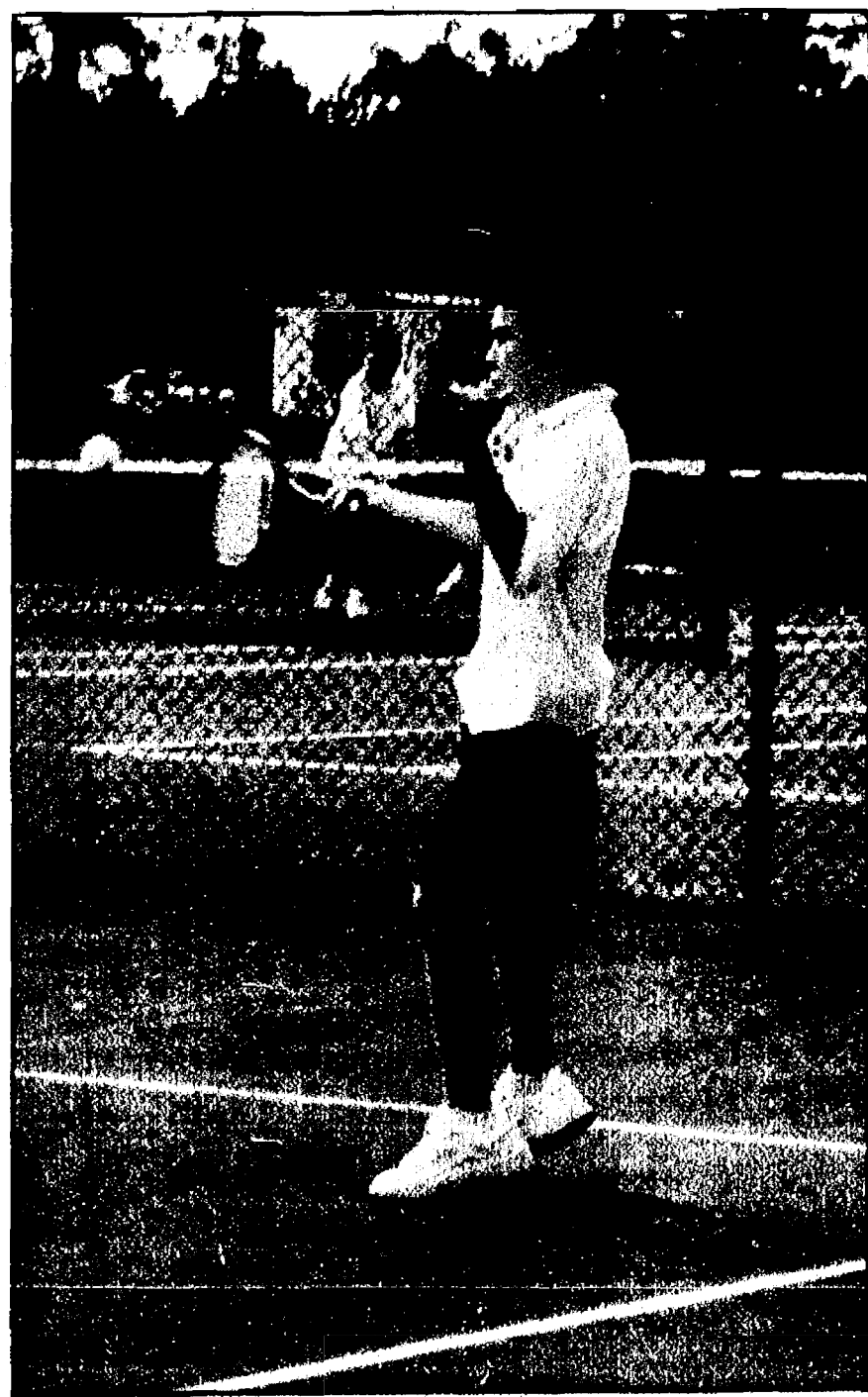


Photo by Caleb Casey

Brady Ward competes in a singles match during last week's Grayling vs. Boyne City varsity tennis meet at Grayling High School. The contest ended in a 4-4 tie. For more, see Page 4B.


## Varsity softball team hosts Bucks



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Grayling shortstop Lexi Bondar throws home in game one of last Monday's varsity softball series at Grayling High School. The doubleheader was Grayling's season opener. Roscommon won both games. For more, see Page 3B.





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## Track team wins five events at Ogemaw

► Vikes compete against Ogemaw Heights and Pinconning

The Grayling High School track team – in its season opener – won five events at last Wednesday's three-team track and field meet at West Branch Ogemaw Heights. Competing teams included Grayling, Ogemaw, and Pinconning.

The GHS girls squad posted three overall event victories: Jessica Green won the long jump (15'2"); Ashley Hawley took 1st place in the high jump (4'6"); and Tracy Parkinson posted the fastest time in the 100-yard hurdles (18.6 seconds).

Other placements for Grayling's girls team included: Green, 2nd, 200-yard dash (31.88); Parkinson, 4th, 300-yard hurdles (1:03.21); Justine Tozer, 3rd, 300-yard hurdles (1:03.14); Lindsey Johns, 5th, 800-yard run (3:27); Mandy Czapek, 5th, shot put (25'9.5"); Parkinson, Tozer, Hawley, Green, 2nd, 4x220-yard relay (2:10.87).

"I am really proud of the girls – they put in a great effort," said Coach Heidi West. "Ogemaw Heights and Pinconning are tough teams and we held our own. We're off to a good start."

The GHS boys team won two events at last Wednesday's meet: Tyler Cragg placed 1st in the 440-yard dash (55.88 seconds); and Reagan Schmidt had the best overall time in the 2-mile run (11:45.07).

Other placements for the boys team included:

Travis Helsel, 3rd, high jump (5'0"); 4th, 440-yard dash (1:01.79);

Tyler Cragg, 3rd, 100-yard dash (11.08); 4th, 220-yard dash (25.78);

Pawel Wojcik, 6th, 100-yard dash (11.66); 5th, 120-yard hurdles (19:70); 8th, 330-yard hur-



Photos by Caleb Casey

Reagan Schmidt and Shawn Gabriel, long distance runners for Grayling High School's boys track team, prepare for this Wednesday's track meet at Standish at practice on Monday, April 21.

dles (49.18);

Reagan Schmidt, 3rd, 1-mile run (5:22.07);

Ryan Schmidt, 6th, high jump (4'10"); 7th, long jump, (16'04.5"); 6th, 120-yard hurdles (20.33); 3rd, 330-yard hurdles (46.72);

Eric Hunter, 6th, long jump (16'4.75"); 7th, 220-yard dash (26.41);

Chris Cragg, 9th, long jump (15'11"); 8th, 100-yard dash (11.80); 9th, 220-yard dash (27.14);

Tim Umlor, 9th, shot put (33'10"); 7th, discus (105'02"); Greg Warren, 14th, shot put (31'3.5"); 17th, discus (79'9"); Jason Phillips, 15th, discus (87'1");

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Brent Gabriel, 10th, 100-yard dash (11.85);

Dustin Parens, 13th, 100-yard dash (11.96); 14th, 220-yard dash (27.14);

dash (28.71); 14th, 440-yard dash (1:09.17);

Michael Salyers, 7th, 440-yard dash (1:04.06); 4th, 880-yard run (2:30.02);

Kyle Bond, 15th, 440-yard dash (1:09.40);

William Coe, 7th, 2-mile run (13:27.08);

Richard Haight, 9th, 2-mile run (14:31.04);

Chris Bonnington, 9th, 880-yard run (2:46.06);

Shawn Gabriel, 4th, 330-yard hurdles (46.74);

Mike Schmidt, 11th, 2-mile run (15:36.09);

Brent Gabriel, Wojcik, Hunter, Chris Cragg, 2nd, 4x110-yard relay (49.55); Shawn Gabriel,

Brent Gabriel, Tyler Cragg, Helsel, 2nd, 4x440-yard relay (4:01.95); Salyers, Bonnington, Shawn Gabriel, Reagan Schmidt, 2nd, 4x880-yard relay (9:39.70).

"All together, I felt my team had a strong performance, and I am looking forward to the next track meet," Coach Darnell Wilson said.

Final team scores for the meet at Ogemaw were: (boys) Ogemaw 113, Grayling 24; Pinconning 67, Grayling 61; (girls) Ogemaw 115, Grayling 21; Pinconning 81, Grayling 45.

On Saturday, the GHS track team will compete in the Mio Invitational on Saturday, April 26.



GHS sprinters A.J. Powers and Tyler Cragg burst out of the blocks at a recent practice.



Chris Cragg and Brent Gabriel work on their sprinting during practice on Monday.

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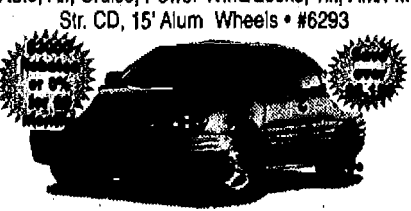
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Chelsea Wolcott bats for the GHS varsity softball team in last Monday's series vs. Roscommon.

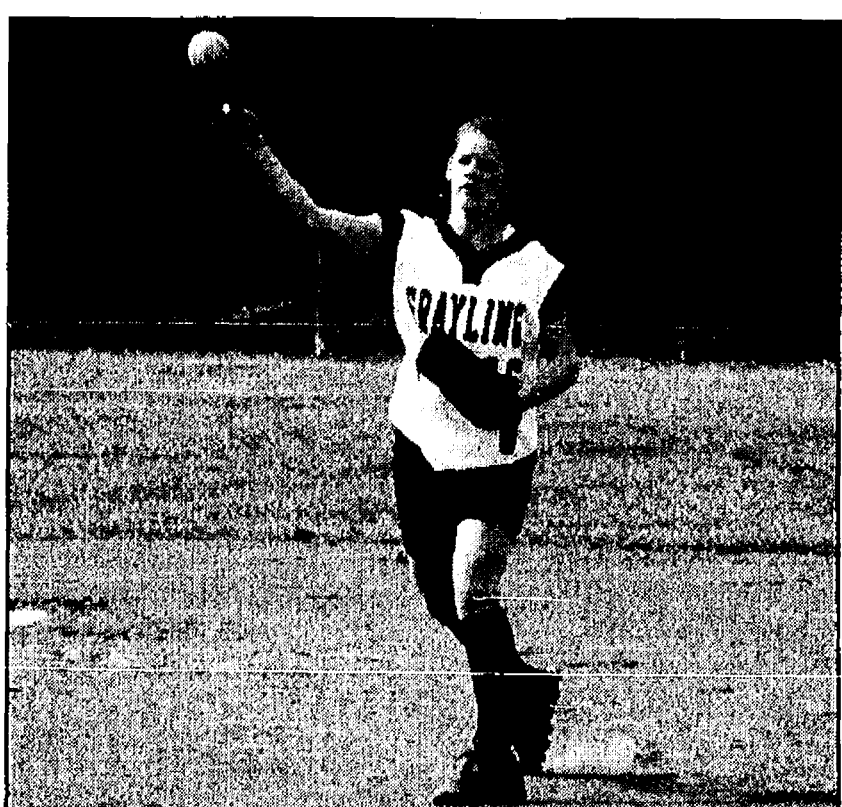


Laura Gorski pitches for Grayling on Monday night.

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Heather Metzger runs to first base.



Second baseman Emily Harvey throws to first.

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## Little League softball sign-up continues

► Deadline for registration has been extended to Saturday, April 26

Grayling Little League has extended its registration deadline to Saturday, April 26. The league is hoping more girls softball players will sign up.

"Grayling Little League would like to increase participation in the softball division," the league stated in a press release. "The goal is to field more teams with age-appropriate divisions. Girls aged 7-14 are eligible to play softball and it is easier to balance teams by age with more players."

"The beauty of softball is that it is a sport that females can participate in for the rest of their lives. Little League softball will be available until the players are eligible for high school softball, many colleges offer the sport both on collegiate teams and in intramural leagues, and women all over the country participate in community leagues."

"Softball was even one of the most popular sports at the Olympics held in Atlanta, Georgia. Some women play for fun and some play for competitive reasons, but all enjoy the sport equally. Grayling Little League is committed to bringing a better softball program to the Grayling area and extends an

invitation to all girls ages 7-14 to come out and play softball."

Registration for girls' softball and baseball has been extended until April 26.

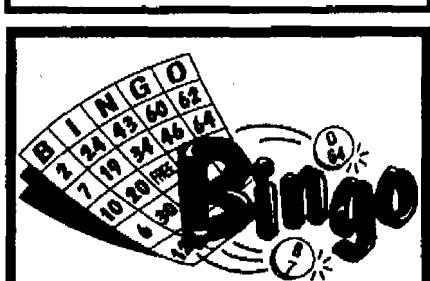
Players registering after draft night (April 27) may have to pay a late registration fee. Players must be at least seven years old on July 31, 2003 to be eligible to play.

Cost of registration is \$25 plus a fundraising fee of \$20 for two home run cards. All home run card fees can be earned back by selling the cards for \$10 each.

Register at Sylvester's. A copy of your child's birth certificate is required when turning in registration forms. Games and practices are held Monday through Friday.

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player agent Dusty Latusek at 348-6488 or VP for Softball Stacie Rosin-Gay at 344-0622.

## JV baseball team wins, ties in opener

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doing exactly what we asked," Coach Travis Huber. "I was very pleased with how well we played, considering that was our first time on a baseball field this

year. I thought we played well, and we will continue to improve as the season progresses."

The Vikings will host Elk Rapids on Thursday, April 24, at 4:30 p.m.

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## GHS ALUMNI SPORTS NEWS

**Brad Gorski, Glen Oaks Community College Baseball**  
Gorski, a 2001 Grayling High School graduate, batted 2 for 2 in game two of a doubleheader at Mott on Saturday. Glen Oaks won both games (5-3, 2-1). Glen Oaks has a 12-5 league record (19-11 overall).

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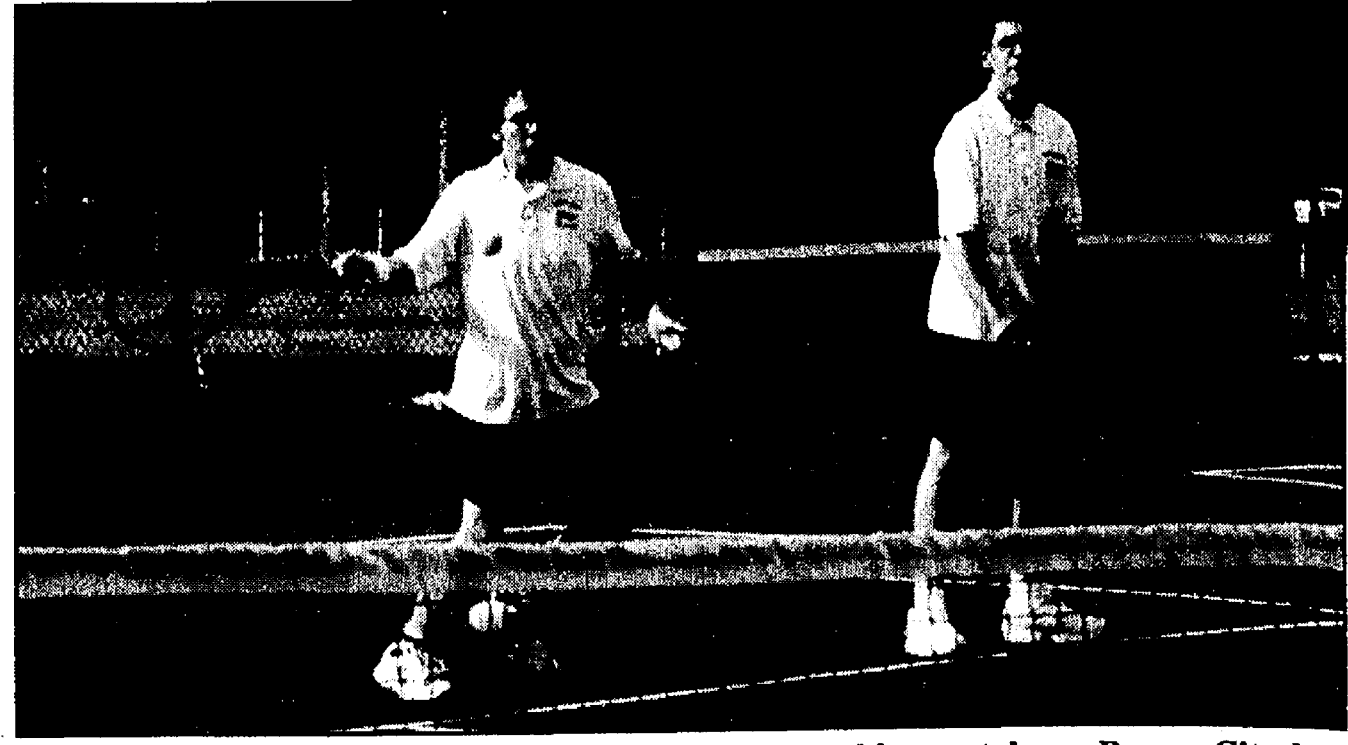
## Tennis team ties Boyne City 4-4

► Vikings win two singles events and two doubles matches

Grayling High School and Boyne City played to a 4-4 tie in a varsity boys tennis meet last Monday in Grayling.

For Grayling, Todd Gaffke (1st singles) won 6-4, 6-0; Erik Olson (4th singles) defeated his opponent 6-1, 6-2; Jensen Dreasky and Jim Jansen (3rd doubles) posted a 6-0, 6-1 victory; and Zeke Hayes and Bobby Feutz (4th doubles) won by default.

"This was a great start to our season," Coach Joe Mau said. "Half of the squad is composed of first year players and we really competed well today. Todd Gaffke and Erik Olson really set the tone with decisive match



**Ken Heinlein and Jason Henning compete in a doubles match vs. Boyne City last Monday.**

wins. The 1st doubles team of Ken Heinlein and Jason Henning lost a close match in three sets, as did Brady Ward at 3rd singles."

"We will continue to work hard to improve, knowing that match wins will follow," Coach Mau said.

On Monday, April 28, the Vikings will host Harbor Springs at 4 p.m. On April 30, the team plays at Charlevoix.

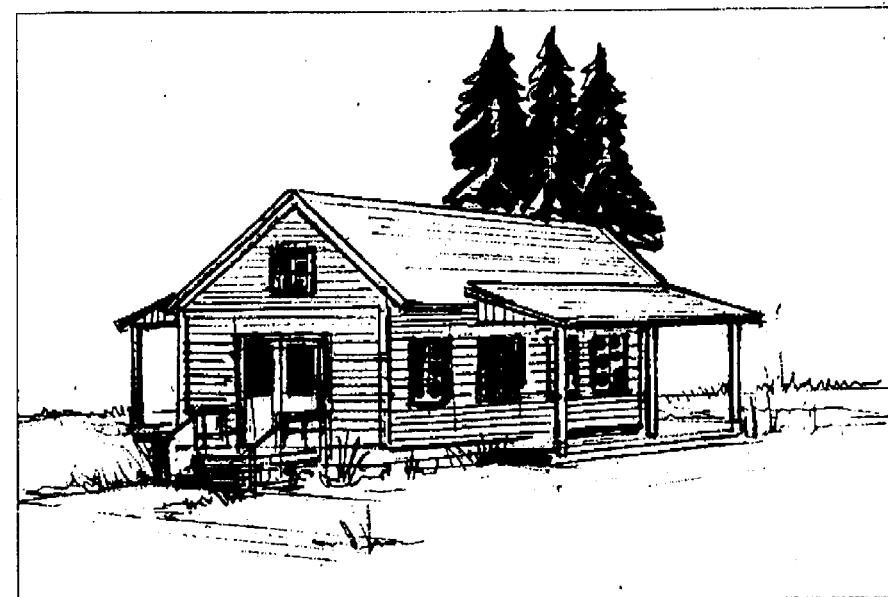
## Fishing exhibit to debut on trout opener

► History of trout fishing on North Branch is featured attraction

The Lovells Township Historical Society will debut its first exhibit at its new log museum on the opening weekend of trout fishing season, Saturday and Sunday, April 26-27.

The topic of the exhibit will be the history of trout fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River.

In addition to the exhibit, other activities will include a representation of a historic fishing camp and an AuSable riverboat display



**A sketch of the new Lovells log museum**

as well as fly casting and fly tying demonstrations.

Highlighting the events on Saturday will be the appearance

of Gary Tanner, Executive Director of the American Museum of Fly Fishing in Manchester, Vermont since 1997,

who will speak on the role of museums in preserving America's trout fishing heritage at 1 p.m. in the Lovells Township Hall.

The museum will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

All events, which are free and open to the public, will take place at the museum and Township Hall at 8405 Twin Bridge Road and at Fuller's North Branch Outing Club at 6122 East County Road 612 in Lovells.

For additional information, contact Darrell and Judy Fuller at 348-7951 or 348-9663.

## Trout season opens on Saturday, April 26

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depend on water temperatures. To fish legally, a license is required (for those 17 years of

age or older). To fish on any designated trout stream or lake, an "All Species" license is required. They cost \$27.

A "Restricted License" — which is good for all species except trout and salmon — is \$13. It can be upgraded to an "All Species" license for an additional \$14.

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# Vikings split on opening day

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walks, and an RBI."

Roscommon won game two of the doubleheader 5-1. The Bucks scored five runs in the fourth inning, and that was enough to win it.

"Pitcher Adam Kaiser was sailing along with a one hitter going into the fourth inning with a 1-0 lead. Two singles and three walks opened the floodgate for Roscommon as they scored all five of their runs in the fourth inning," Coach Gorski said. "Chris Wakeley came in relief of Kaiser and struck out eight batters in three-and-two-thirds innings, giving up one run on a two out triple to Will Massey. Norm Osborn threw a five hitter, striking out 11 and walking one batter (for Roscommon)."

Leading hitters for GHS in game two were: Kaiser, 3 for 4; Lange, 1 for 2; Davis, 1 for 3; Andy Strohpaul, 1 for 3.

Last Wednesday's doubleheader at Houghton Lake was postponed.

The Vikings will host Kalkaska on Monday, April 28, at 4:30 p.m.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling catcher Greg Morrill throws to first base on a pick-off play in last Monday's game against Roscommon.



DJ Metzger runs to third base during game one of last week's series vs. Roscommon.



Joe Lange bats for Grayling in Monday night's varsity baseball doubleheader.

## Little League clinic to be held in Roscommon

The Roscommon High School baseball and softball teams, in cooperation with the Roscommon St. Helen Little League, will be conducting an outdoor skills clinic for children ages 5-17 on Friday, April 25, from 6-8 p.m. at the ball fields located next to Roscommon Elementary School.

The clinics are open to all registered RSH Little League players and include a camp tee shirt and dinner. Parents will be able to register their children at the

clinic from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Children wishing to participate that are not registered for RSH Little League are encouraged to attend but will be charged a nominal fee. Participants from the surrounding communities are welcome.

The clinic will emphasize development of fundamental skills. These clinics - in their third year - have given girls and boys a chance to work individually with expert coaches and players on fundamentals of field-

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Case No. 00-5181-CK

Honorable Dennis F. Murphy  
D. Jerome Slack, As Trustee  
of the D. Jerome Slack Trust  
U/A/D June 26, 1981, Plaintiff  
v.  
Paul W. Schroeder, Colleen Schroeder, jointly and severally, and Barnstormers, Inc., a Michigan corporation, d/b/a Red Barn, d/b/a Margretherville, Defendants,  
Thomas R. Alward (P31724)  
Brandt, Fisher, Alward & Roy, P.C.  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
1241 E. Eighth Street  
P.O. Box 5817  
Traverse City, MI 49696-5817  
231-941-9660

Notice of Foreclosure Sale

1. On August 16, 2002, the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, entered a Judgment of Foreclosure in this matter.

2. As of the date of this notice, this Judgment remains unsatisfied. Therefore, pursuant to the terms of the Judgment of Foreclosure on Wednesday, May 7, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., at a public auction to be held in the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the Defendants, Paul W. Schroeder and Colleen Schroeder, in and to the real property described as follows:

PARCEL 2: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 12, T26N, R4W; thence S 89° 37' W along the South line of Section 12, 737.6 feet to the Southerly right-of-way of M-72; thence N73° 15' W along the Southerly right-of-way of M-72, 451.8 feet to the intersection of the Northerly right-of-way of M-93 for Point of Beginning; thence South 58° 30' W along the Northerly right-of-way of M-93, 431.3 feet; thence North 0° 21' W, 336.5 feet to the Southerly right-of-way of M-72; thence South 73° 15' E along the Southerly right-of-way of M-72, 386.2 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, and North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

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## LEGAL ACTION

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Page 125, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventeen Thousand Eighteen and 27/100 dollars (\$17,018.27), including interest at 9.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on May 7, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 33 of AuSable Woods No. 3, a Subdivision of part of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 21, and a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 27 North, Range 3 West, according to the recorded plat thereof, recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 9, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale,

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Frederic Township Planning Commission will be holding a meeting on May 1, 2003 at 7:00 pm at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 C.R. 612 in Frederic. Public is welcome to attend.

Douglas J. Pratt  
Zoning Administrator

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John D. Tuck and Teresa A. Melroy-Tuck, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC, mortgagee, dated November 26, 2001 and recorded December 3, 2001 in Liber 561, Page 532, Crawford County Records. There is

claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two and 30/100 Dollars (\$41,482.30) including interest at the rate of 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 30, 2003.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 200 feet North and 33 feet West of the Southeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 120 feet; thence West 120 feet; thence South 120 feet; thence East 120 feet to the point of beginning of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 27, 2003  
Orlans Associates PC  
Attorney for Fifth Third Mortgage-MI LLC, As Mortgagee  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 200.0789

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# LEGAL ACTION

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6617-DE  
Estate of Henry N. Peabody, III,  
Deceased, Date of birth: 12-21-60  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:  
The decedent, Henry N. Peabody, III, who lived at 4887 West Dort Road, Beaver Creek Twp., Michigan, 49738 died February 3, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to James O. Peabody, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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James O. Peabody  
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## Mortgage Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.  
Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Christopher R. Rollins and Amiee Lynn Rollins Rollins, aka Amiee Lynn Rollins, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated September 11, 2002 and recorded on October 1, 2002 in Liber 597 page 426, Crawford County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$51,899.99.  
The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, May 21, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the

front door of Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 13 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:  
Parcel "A": The North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Township of Maple Forest. Also a 1993 Fairmont Mobile Home, Serial #MY9488763.

The redemption period will be one year from the date of sale.  
Dated: April 8, 2003  
Joseph B. Backus  
Attorney for mortgage holder  
P.O. Box 794  
East Lansing, MI 48826  
517-337-1617

## Foreclosure Notice

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Fred E. Simpson, a single man to New Century Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2002 and recorded May 1, 2002 in Liber 579 on Page 607, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the Registered Holders of the ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2002-NCI, by assignment dated March 27, 2003 and received by and recorded in Crawford County Records on April 3, 2002, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date

hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety and 88/100 Dollars (\$184,190.88), including interest at 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel B: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 645 feet to the place of beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 353.95 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 64 degrees 34 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 53 degrees 10 minutes West, 113.91 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 305.18 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West. Parcel C: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 745 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 305.18 feet; thence North 53 degrees 10 minutes East, 113.91 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 86 degrees 58 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 44 degrees West, 214.12 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 303.88 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless

determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 8, 2003  
U.S. Bank National Association,  
as trustee, on behalf of the  
Registered Holders of the  
ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates  
Series 2002-NCI,  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potosio & Associates,  
P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 810  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext 111  
Our File No: 03-13292

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard A. Grant, a single man (original mortgagors) to Fifth Third Bank as successor by merger and/or name change to Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 11, 1997, and recorded on September 12, 1997 in Liber 437 on Page 582 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One and 87/100 dollars (\$29,621.87), including interest at 8.700% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

the South 20 feet of the Northwest 1/4 and the Southwest 1/4 of Lot 5, Block 4, Martha Brinks Addition to the Village

(now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 17, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team W (248) 593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200316954

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald E. Ray and Gail S. Ray, husband and wife, of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor, to Pines Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 8, 1997, and recorded on April 14, 1997 in Liber 428, on page 96, Crawford County Records, Michigan, which said mortgage was thereafter assigned to Norma E. Daugherty Revocable Living Trust by assignment dated April 8, 1997, and recorded on June 19, 1997 in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford in Liber 432 of Crawford County Records, on page 75, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$9,955.48 plus \$3.93 interest per day after 4/10/03.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage with the interest thereon at sixteen and 00/100 (16%) per cent per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to County Building in City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, on Wednesday, May 7, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Township of Lovells, Parcel E-1: Commencing at the S 1/4 corner of Sec. 27, T 28 N, R 2W; thence S 87 degrees 58 minutes E 330.0 feet along Sec. line, thence N 0 degrees 40 minutes W 393.07 feet; thence N 76 degrees 41 minutes 21 seconds E 526.34 feet along centerline of county road 612; thence N 53 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds E 1034.25 feet; along northerly line of railroad grade; thence N 0 degrees 38 minutes W 658.82 feet to the point of beginning; thence N 0 degrees 38 minutes W 330.0 feet; thence N 89 degrees 49 Minutes E 200.0 feet along center of county road, thence S 0 degrees 38 minutes E 330.0 feet; thence S 89 degrees 49 minutes W 200.0 feet to the point of beginning. Part of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 24 T 28 N, R 2 W, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Sidwell No. 20-013-024-013-020-06  
During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: March, 2003  
Norma E. Daugherty  
Revocable Trust, Mortgagee  
Michael A. Nedelman (P35433)  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
Nedelman Pawlak, PLC  
32000 Northwest Highway, Ste. 240  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334  
(248) 855-8888  
File No. 1104.802

03-10-17-24

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Alma a married man and Cynthia A. Alma his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 1999, and recorded on May 13, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 355 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said Mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated April 20, 1999, which was recorded on July 19, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 290, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-One Thousand Fifty-Seven and 23/100 Dollars (\$31,057.23), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be fore-closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 am, on May 28, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: The North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of that part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, lying East of State Highway US-27. Also the North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of the West 659.43 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 4, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200317471  
Team X

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## Paid Advertisement

A huge Corporation called Countrywide Home Loan is so huge that I cannot talk to the same person twice! And they laughed at me when I gave the name of the person that I last spoke to, and with laughter they said there are thousands of people that work there, and they could not possibly know who that person was. They have a mortgage literally only on the north portion of the house. The driveway and mailbox is not upon the mortgaged property.

I repeatedly wanted to settle but they will not. Instead they simply chose instead to foreclose. Located upon the free and clear south portion are the main electrical panel and entrance, the kitchen sink and also the pump, and I have the front door and all of the driveway and also the load bearing south wall. Despite the fact that I have explained this quandary to them, they simply have been unwilling to consider settling, obviously, because they are attempting foreclosure instead of simply resolving a cash settlement. They want payments instead of being willing to settle.

Rex Alma, Frederic  
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## BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

TO: The residents and property owners of Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing concerning the adoption of a proposed new Zoning Ordinance for Beaver Creek Township, patterned after and replacing the existing Crawford County Zoning Ordinance as it presently regulates Beaver Creek Township, will be held on Tuesday, April 29, 2003 commencing at 7:30 PM at the Beaver Creek Township Hall located within the township at 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738, as required under the provisions of the Township Zoning Act.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the public hearing is for the purpose of consideration and adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance and Map, but patterned after and to replace the existing County Zoning Ordinance and Map as presently regulate the Township, to govern the regulation and use of land and buildings within the Township, which proposes to divide the Township into Districts, define certain terms used therein, impose regulations, prohibitions and restrictions concerning the erection, construction or reconstruction of structures or buildings and lands to be used for the purposes of forestry, agricultural, residential use, commercial use and industrial use and other specified purposes; regulating and limiting the height and size of buildings and structures; regulating and limiting lot occupancy; the size of yards and other open spaces; establishing boundaries of Districts by means of a Zoning Map, creating a Zoning Board of Appeals and creating and limiting the powers and duties of said Board and setting standards to guide the actions of said Board and providing the means of enforcing the Ordinance and providing a penalty for violation of said Ordinance and other specific and related matters as provided therein;

Anyone interested in reviewing the proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map may examine a copy of same at the office of the Township Clerk, Sharon Hartman, Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738 until the time of said hearing and may further review same at said public hearing;

Written correspondence or documents will be received from any interested persons concerning said proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map by the Beaver Creek Township Clerk, Sharon Hartman, at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738 up until the time of the hearing and may be further received by the Planning Commission at said Hearing.

The Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission and the Township Board observe the right to make changes in the proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map at, or following, the Public Hearing.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place.

Beaver Creek Township will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired, and audiotapes of printed material being considered at the Hearing, to the individuals with disabilities at the Hearing, upon four days notice to the Beaver Creek Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk at the address and telephone number listed below.

Sharon Hartman, Clerk  
Beaver Creek Township  
888 S. Grayling Rd.  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Ph # (989) 275-8878

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC NOTICE OF NONMETALLIC MINERALS, SAND, GRAVEL, COBBLES, BOULDERS, AND CLAY DIRECT LEASES

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will direct lease State-owned nonmetallic mineral, sand and gravel rights. These parcels are *existing* State sand and gravel pits currently under permit to various county Road Commissions. They are being converted from mineral permits to leases in an effort to improve management and reclamation. The lands under consideration for leasing are located in the following areas:

**2002-1: 7-Mile Pit, NE1/4 NE1/4 and NW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 16, T25N, R3W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County (80.00 acres, more or less).**

**2003-4: King's Corner Pit, SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 32, T25N, R9E, Greenwood Township, Alpena County (40.00 acres, more or less).**

**2003-5: Kolka Creek Pit, SW1/4 NE1/4 and NW1/4 SE1/4, of Section 15, T28N, R4W, Frederic Township, Crawford County (77.53 acres, more or less).**

**2003-6: Bald Hill Clay Pit, NE1/4 NW1/4, of Section 7, T27N, R1W, Lovells Township, Crawford County (26.61 acres, more or less).**

**2003-7: McMaster's Pit, NE1/4 SW1/4 and NW1/4 SW1/4, of Section 2, T26N, R1W, South Branch Township, Crawford County (80.00 acres, more or less).**

**2003-8: Chase Bridge Pit, NE1/4 SW1/4 and S1/2 S1/2, of Section 27, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County (200.00 acres, more or less).**

**2003-9: NW1/4 NW1/4 and NE1/4 NE1/4, of Section 28, T28N, R3E, Clinton Township, Oscoda County (80.00 acres, more or less).**

Written comments by interested parties should be sent to the attention of Leonard Espinosa, DNR, Forest, Mineral and Fire Management, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7952, or via the internet by request to [espinosal@michigan.gov](mailto:espinosal@michigan.gov). Written comments relative to the leasing of any description must be received by the Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division at the address specified above **NOT LATER THAN** May 30, 2003.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING SEWER-ONLY ACCOUNTS

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that the Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 7:30 pm, at the Grayling Elementary School at 1000 Michigan Avenue concerning an amendment to Ordinance #25 Section 10, Special Rates subsection:

Added language:

The rate for all nonmetered sewer customers shall be set at \$140.00 per quarter beginning June 1, 2003. Thereafter, the rate is subject to adjustment annually by resolution of the City Council.

The City will provide the water meter and meter horns for any customers who choose to have their sewer consumption charged by actual usage. The customer will be responsible for connecting the meter to the water source. At the option of the customer, the City will provide that connection at a cost of \$100.00, if that request is made before June 1, 2003. The fee will be added to the water bill and is payable to the city by June 1, 2004. After that date the fee would be spread to the property tax for that parcel.

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 7:30 PM on Monday, April 28, 2003 at the Grayling Elementary School, 1000 Michigan Avenue. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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# FACTS AND FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago April 24, 1980

"Guys and Dolls" is coming to Grayling's Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Cast members include Tim Taylor, Shannon McNamara, Todd Dunckley, Sue Prause, Sarah Brown, Scott Dunckley, George Morse, Jim Kitch, Steve Allen and John Watkins.

Dr. Donald Bush of CMU, provided members of the Middle School Advisory Committee his review of school problems and recommendations for its future.

His final recommendation generally concurred with those from previous consultants - consider construction of a new facility for Middle School students.

Area Cub Scouts held their Annual Pinewood Derby last Tuesday. The scouts made their own racing cars for the event and the winners were as follows: Tommy Ellingboe, Jason Wright, Steve Lehti, Todd VanDeVen, Scott Davis, Steve Peterson, Scott Rochette, John Schilbe, Mike Burkley, Grady Stoll, Matt Cory, Tim Cook, James Bryan, Rusty Argue, Art Geltz, Hank Abney and Robert Fenton.

Winner in the father's event was Rick Wright.

Two juniors at Grayling High School have been selected to attend a government training and education session at Olivet

College.

Susan Diedrich and Jay Schrader will attend the ten day program this year.

Grayling Elementary School Second Graders held their Annual Balloon Launch on Friday under ideal weather conditions. The balloons, 120 in all, were sent skyward, each tagged asking the finder to return it to the school.

Competition at the Spartan Relays in East Lansing was "tough," as Grayling's Girls team finished in 12th place. Although the girls finishing times had improved, it was not enough to win points.

The Grayling Holiday Inn was the site for the Northern Michigan Jaycee Regional Convention. Mike Elden, Grayling Jaycee and District Director attended the convention, representing the Grayling community.

Traffic speeds in Crawford County have been radar controlled for about a year. Three cars are equipped with permanent equipment and a fourth unit is also available for use.

Crawford County Sheriff Curt Haas said the units were purchased for about \$1,000 a piece and were obtained through grants received and at no cost to the taxpayers.

Congratulations to Mrs. Clara Dawson as she celebrates her 90th birthday this Thursday. She was co-operator of Dawsons Drug

Store for years. Her son, Devere, now operates the business.

### 46 Years Ago April 25, 1957

Three Grayling High School seniors were named as the honor students of the 1957 graduating class. Robert Houghton and Bethany Koerber were named as co-valedictorians while Robert Strong was named as salutatorian.

Other students who finished their high school careers with high honors were Nancy Reava, Mickey Mikesell, Barbara Cornell, Marilyn Burch and Gary Gust.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnow Hanson announced the sale of their hardware store, Ron's Hardware, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson.

The Kiwanis Club will sponsor the All Sports banquet to be held on Monday.

Attending the banquet will be the Grayling Viking athletes, their parents, Kiwanians and their wives and other guests. Speaker for the evening will be the new head basketball coach at Central Michigan College, Ted Kjolhede.

A margin of four points cost the Grayling High Vikings the first track meet of the season at the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area on Thursday. The Gaylord Blue Devils amassed 56 points to the Viking team's 52.

A Canadian canoeing and fishing trip is a prospect for a group of Grayling area boys this summer. The expedition is being organized by Jerry Gambill, former Saginaw YMCA camp director.

The Second Annual Mom's Week (mothers of men in service)

has been proclaimed by Governor G. Mennen Williams to be April 21-27. The Mom's Club of Frederic received its charter in 1932. There were about ten members at that time, and at present there are about 18 moms and 20 auxiliary members. The club sends subscriptions of the *Avalanche* to its boys in the service. They also remember returning servicemen, who have had overseas duty, with a gift and \$10.

### 69 Years Ago April 26, 1934

Superintendent P.G. Zalsman of the fish hatchery is taking his fish exhibit to the West Branch trout festival. Phil has one of the most wonderful fish exhibits to be found anywhere.

Workmen are busy uncovering the water lines on Cedar and McClellan Streets. The pipes will be lowered below the frost line to avoid the danger of freezing in the winter.

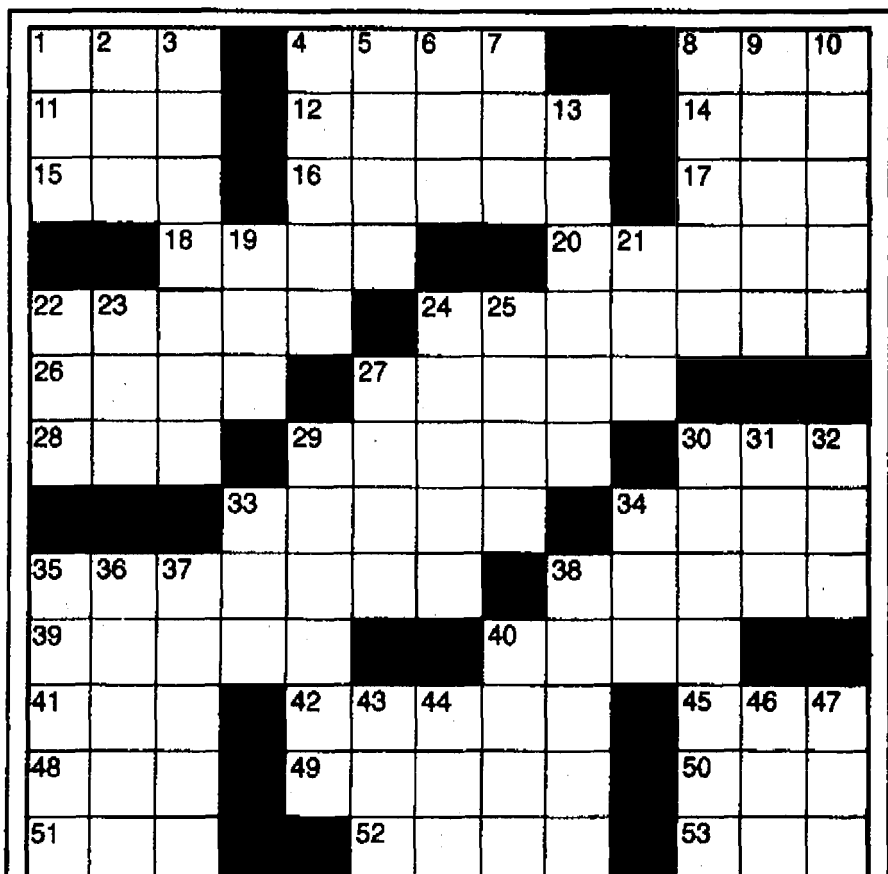
### 92 Years Ago April 27, 1911

Olson's addition to the store adjoining Brink's Grocery is enclosed and rapidly approaching completion. As of now, it is not sure who will occupy it.

The new soda fountain with all modern attachments at A.M. Lewis and Company's Drug Store, is fine enough to adorn any city store in the state.

Sixty cars of gravel have been acquired by private subscription to add to the township appropriation for rebuilding the road to Portage Lake.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. "\_\_\_ Lazy River" (2 wds.)
4. Canine mothers
8. Unaffiliated voter: abbr.
11. \_\_\_ pedal
12. Open
14. Aussie animal
15. \_\_\_ Pinafore
16. Turner, to the United Nations
17. From \_\_\_ Z (2 wds.)
18. Egyptian sun god
20. Say
22. Thicknesses
24. Envelope info
26. Courageous
27. Benchmark
28. Distress message
29. Door-slammng drama
30. \_\_\_ stand-still (2 wds.)
33. Before house or light
34. Vendetta
35. Craftsman
38. Linzer \_\_\_ (pastry)
39. Glee
40. Vamoosel
41. Wind dir.
42. Post or Dickinson
45. Life: prefix
48. Born
49. Common fabric at The Gap
50. Journalist Tarbell
51. Physicians: abbr.
52. Highest point
53. Army bed

### DOWN

1. Yuck!
2. Mrs. North of mysteries
3. Assaults
4. Nincompoops
5. Cosmetics company
6. Big boys
7. Broadway letters
8. Mad
9. Observes
10. "Riders On The Storm" group
13. Walk with leaden feet
19. A Kennedy
21. Three, in Roma
22. "Nova" network
23. Bathroom, in Britain
24. Ruth's successor
25. Air passage
27. Inaugural ball, e.g.
29. Looked for trout
30. Requiring oxygen
31. Rebuker's sound
32. Citrus drink
33. \_\_\_ viper
34. Egg \_\_\_ yung
35. Rephrase
36. Step part
37. Arbor units
38. 'Fragrant' herb
40. Thin
43. \_\_\_ culpa
44. Corporate abbr.
46. Words at a wedding
47. Granola grain

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK

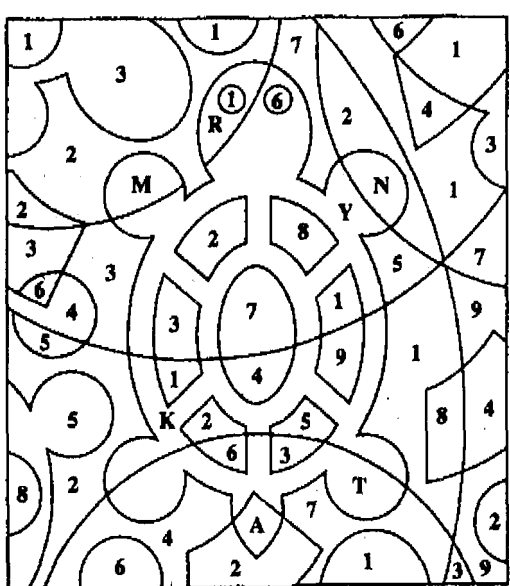


- 2 taco shells  
1 large lettuce leaf, shredded (thinly sliced)  
1/2 cup grated cheese  
1 tomato, sliced  
2 Kiwifruit, peeled and sliced  
2 sprigs parsley or coriander (cilantro).

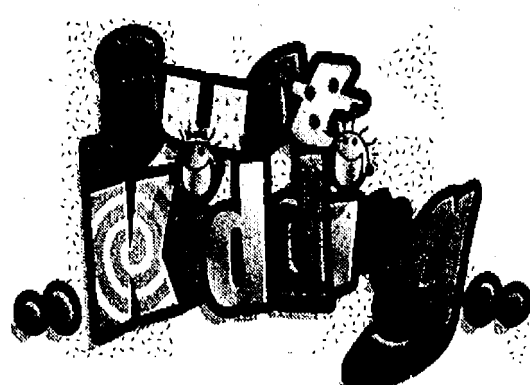
### KIWI TACOS

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Place the taco shells on an oven-proof tray and bake for 3-4 minutes, until crisp. Fill with shredded lettuce, cheese, tomato and kiwifruit. Garnish with parsley or coriander. Makes 2.

### HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.



**DID YOU KNOW**  
Berceuse is another term for "cradle song" or lullaby.

### SEEK AND FIND

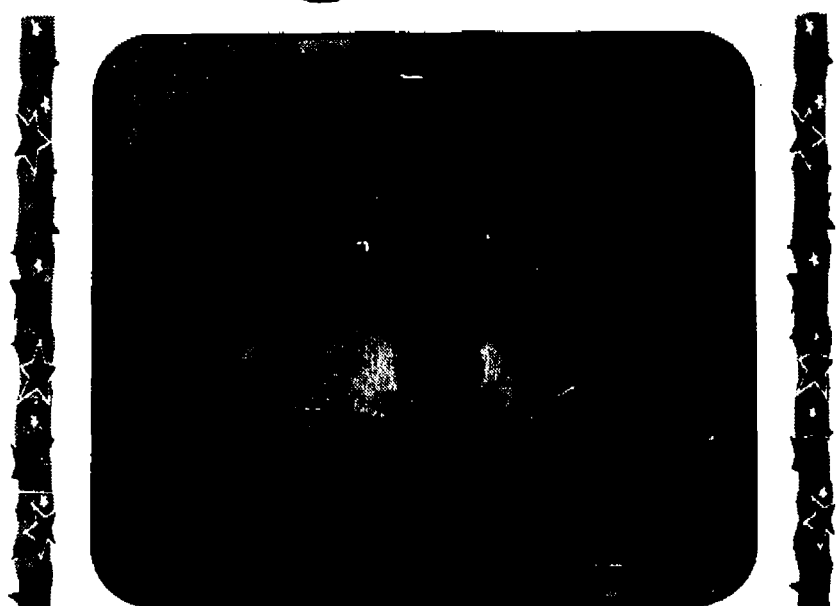
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

BEANS BURRITOS CHEESE ENCHILADA  
FAJITAS GUACAMOLE JALAPENOS NACHOS  
QUESADILLA RICE TACO TORTILLA

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

W G U A C A M O L E  
A S B U R R I T O S  
T A C O F D B F T G  
R J A L A P E N O S  
I L E K J J A H R O  
C P S O I I N U T H  
E E E R T T S Y I C  
Q U E S A D I L L A  
Z C H V S N T Y L N  
E N C H I L A D A W

### Adopt a Pet



Spike is waiting to find a new home along with his brothers Petrie and Little Foot. They are all neutered males and have their shots. Their mom, Sarah, looks like a Setter or Collie cross and is also looking for a new home. Sarah has been spayed and has all of her vaccinations also. Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the *Avalanche* for either item.

**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:**  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

### WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast						
Date	H	L	Rain	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
4/16	80	33	.80	High 53	High 56	High 54	High 58	High 60	High 61	
4/17	33	25	.35	Low 30	Low 29	Low 33	Low 36	Low 40	Low 37	
4/18	35	25	.20	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-Storms	
4/19	42	32	.06							
4/20	68	40	.20							
4/21	68	47	.06							
4/22	47	31	.12							

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# HOROSCOPES

For the Week of April 24, 2003

**April 21 - April 19**

You'll have several good ideas this week, but your colleagues will be oblivious to them. Don't become frustrated; use the time instead to perfect your ideas.

**April 20 - May 18**

Misinformation is at an all-time high. Question everything you see and hear, and trust no one, not even those who are usually reliable sources of information.

**May 19 - May 20**

Watch what you say and do this week. If you aren't careful, you could send someone you are fond of the wrong message.

**June 22 - July 22**

Lucky you! A business appointment will be cancelled, and you can go ahead with your travel plans. A package is headed your way.

**July 23 - August 22**

Surprise! You're a big winner. Have fun with your prize, and if it's monetary, don't spend it all in one place.

**August 23 - September 22**

After a health scare, you receive a clean bill of health. Invite some friends over and celebrate. A relative returns to town with a pleasant surprise.

**September 23 - October 22**

A problem crops up at work, and everyone looks to you for the answer. You know exactly what to say and do.

**October 23 - November 21**

A colleague values your input, and asks for your help with a special project. You've been waiting for an opportunity like this for a long time, so go for it!

**November 22 - December 21**

So much has happened this week that you feel exhausted. Rejuvenate with a few hours alone. You'll soon be feeling like your old self again.



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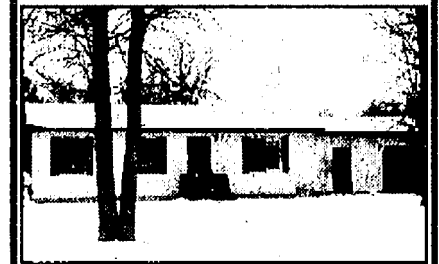
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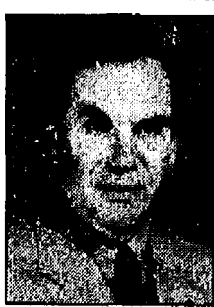
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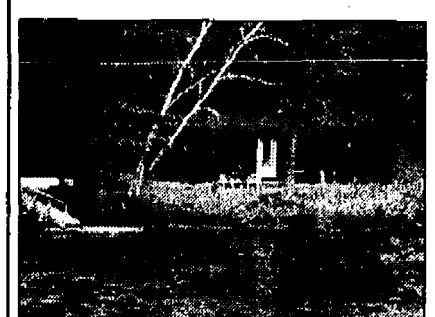


**RUSTIC YEAR ROUND HOME WITH ATTACHED 2 CAR GARAGE.** Includes 35 acres, 100% wooded with State Land on 2 sides, also has 2,600 feet of frontage on county paved road. This property could be split. GB-1724 \$160,000

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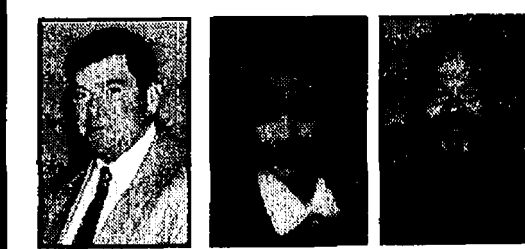
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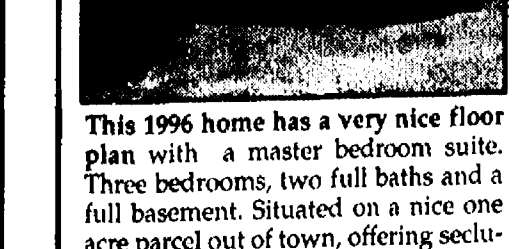
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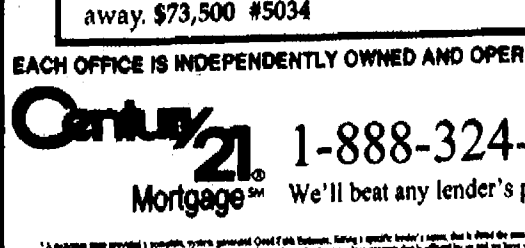
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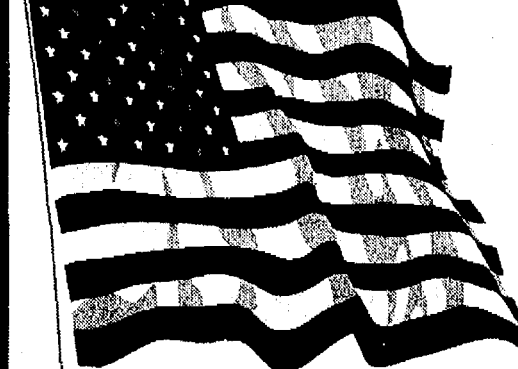


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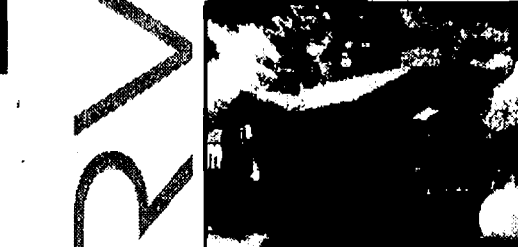


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**Nice secluded two bedroom home** has one bath and a guest house. Features a garden area, knotty pine interior, two car garage and storage shed. \$86,500 #5024



**Situated on 5 acres** is this 1,900 SF home with a lot of extras to offer. Three to four bedrooms, living room and family room, ceramic tile flooring in the family room and kitchen, plenty of remodeling has been done. \$118,000 #5094



**Recently remodeled three bedroom ranch home** located in a quiet neighborhood just minutes from downtown Grayling. Home features vaulted ceilings, skylight, large deck, 1.3 acres of land and right on a paved bike path for the kids. \$73,000 #5091



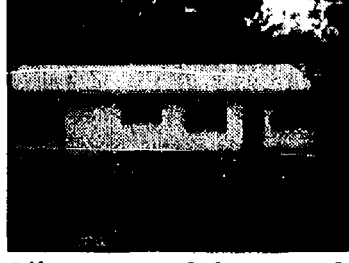
This clean, vinyl sided home has two to three bedrooms with approximately 1,192 SF, is situated on a 2-1/2 acre parcel and also features a cute guest cabin in the woods. This great home is priced to sell. \$59,500 #5073



**Come watch the Elk play** from this clean four bedroom home situated on 10 acres of hardwoods. Perfect recreational property or full time residence in the heart of Elk Country with a 30 x 40 pole barn, two fireplaces and more. \$174,500 #5084



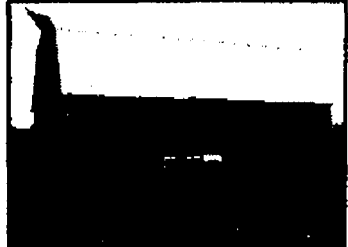
**One bedroom with attached garage and large storage shed** on 1.9 acres. New roof, electric service, hot water heater, wall furnace, and vertical blinds. Extensive remodeling completed in 2002. Ceiling fans, two window air conditioners, 5000W generator, riding mower and snowblower included. \$68,000 #5072



**Like new ranch home on 3 1/2 acres** only 6.5 miles from Grayling. Home has two bedrooms with 744 SF, features are new interior, hardwood flooring in the kitchen, dining and living areas. Attached 22 x 22 car garage. \$59,900 #4975



**Spacious home situated on a nicely landscaped 5 acre parcel.** This home includes a full, finished basement that could provide additional bedrooms. Home has two large garages, 3 baths, a wood burning fireplace, garden area, and much more. \$199,000 #5050



**120 Acres, Home, Garage, Large Barn!!** This home is older but spotless and in good condition with full basement and 5 bedrooms. Beautiful hardwood species covers about 45% of the property. Owner says tillable land is in excellent condition. \$320,000 #5047



**Fine quality workmanship throughout!** Cedar cathedral ceiling, large snack bar divides the living room from the kitchen, three bedrooms, lots of cabinet space, Pergo Oak flooring, slate in the entries, two lazy susans, and an appliance garage. \$125,000 #5061

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**DD FAMILY SUPPORTS COORDINATOR:** Seeking individual to provide services to children and adults with developmental disabilities. Will identify service needs as well as develop, implement and coordinate individual service plan for each assigned consumer. Minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work with licensure as a Social Worker in the State of Michigan. Previous experience with behavioral health care services is a plus. Based in our Grayling office. Competitive salary and excellent benefits. Send resume and salary history to Human Resources, North Central Community Mental Health, 527 Cobbs Street, Cadillac, Michigan 49601 by 5/2/03. EOE

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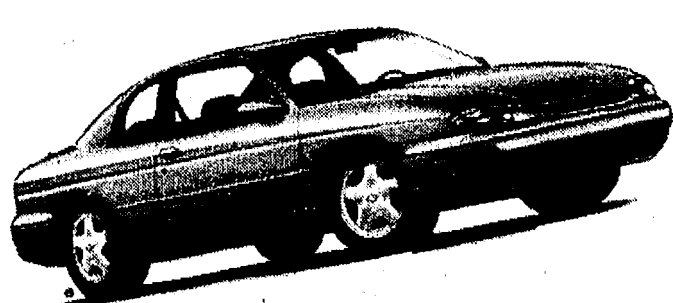
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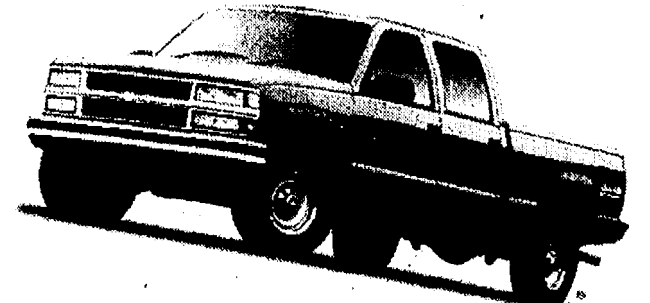
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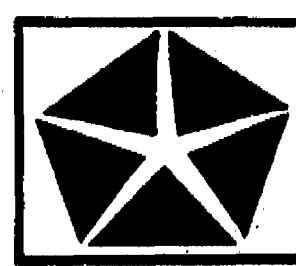
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# Grayling: The Trout Fishing Capital of the Eastern U.S.

## AuSable, Manistee Rivers and Area Lakes Offer Excellent Opportunities for Fishermen

Crawford County's claim to fame comes from the world-renowned blue ribbon trout streams — the AuSable and Manistee rivers — along with their tributaries. They bring to northern Michigan, Grayling and Crawford County some of the finest trout fishing east of the Mississippi.

In recognition of the fine fishing found in the county, the Grayling Township Board of Trustees passed a resolution designating the greater community of Grayling 'The Trout Fishing Capital of the Eastern United States' in September of 1998.

The upper AuSable River and the Manistee River systems are two of the most stable systems in the United States, which makes them more accessible to fishermen year round. Each system offers catches of native Brook,

Brown and Rainbow Trout to the discerning angler.

There are numerous public accesses, and rental canoes are available for anglers to enjoy the rivers for fishing or sport. Local sport shops and lodging accommodations have area maps and generally have information about hatches and water conditions.

Fishing regulations vary between sections on the rivers with some areas designated for "flies only," and several miles of the AuSable River for "catch and release." The majority of the waters, however, are open to any type of fishing, including flies, hardware, and bait.

Hatch activity generally begins in early March with the onset of spring and the emerging Blackstones. Hendricksons are usually hatching by the opening day of trout season, which is the last Saturday in April (April 26 this year). Afternoon hatches, with little pressure from other river users, makes early to mid-May a popular time for many fly fishers. Other early season hatches include the Little Mahogany, Little Black Caddis, and Blue Winged Olives.

By mid-May, most hatches and spinner falls occur in late afternoon. The Sulfur hatch begins in late May and lasts about two weeks. The first week of June is a popular time on area streams as the Brown Drake hatch occurs.

Hatches continue through May and June, generally culminating with the "Hex" hatch, which is the big Michigan Mayfly, the Hexagenia Limbata. This hatch brings the fly fishers in large numbers as it is the time when trophy fish regularly surface-feed.

It is important to mention that most of the anglers who are successful in catching the larger trout fish for them during the late evening and on into the night. Fishermen are often found on the streams all night waiting for the spinner falls, which generally come between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m., and for the hatches, which occur after 10 p.m. and last sometimes until the wee hours of the morning.

August brings the terrestrials: grasshoppers, ants and crickets. The warm sunny days are an ideal time to fish the Browns lying along the grass banks waiting for that careless hopper. As mother nature starts to dip her paintbrush and color the leaves, enjoy the solitude of a quiet day and cool evening with Brown and Brook Trout becoming more active. It's a great time to come to northern Michigan and experience fall colors, late lake fishing, bird hunting and Salmon fishing.

For a special experience, there are several very knowledgeable local guides who offer guided float trips.

In addition to offering two of the finest fishing rivers available, the Crawford County area is home to numerous lakes, which also offer excellent fishing opportunities. Lake Margrethe and Higgins Lake are the two largest bodies of water in the county, offering a variety of lake fishing, with Lake Margrethe giving up good catches of Walleye and Northern Pike. Opening of Bass season usually finds quantities of fair-sized Large and Smallmouth Bass, which can be fished with live bait as well as artificial.

Lake Margrethe also offers Bluegill and Perch for the panfisherman. Higgins Lake is recognized as being one of the 10 most beautiful lakes in the United States, and it is well worth the time spent to learn how to catch its Brown and Lake Trout, as well as Splake.

Higgins also offers very large Northern Pike and is noted for its wintertime Perch and Smelt fishing.

North of Grayling and west of Lovells, off County Road 612, lie some small lakes that are local favorites. K.P. Lake lays claim to trophy Bluegill and good numbers of Bass. Jones Lake is home for Walleye and Bluegill, while Hargrove Lake will give a peaceful afternoon fishing Crappie, Perch and Bluegill.

Most of the streams and lakes in the county can be accessed with a canoe or boat. Wakeley Lake, a "catch and release" lake, requires persons to carry their canoe approximately one-half mile, but the fishing can be worth it. Only artificial bait is allowed.

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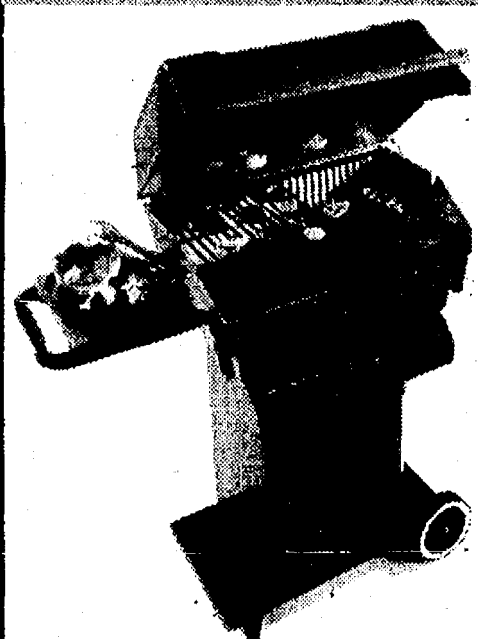
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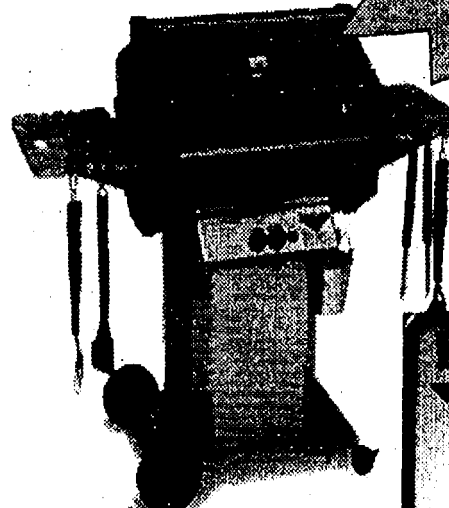
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It is not unusual to see deer, mink, otter, wild turkeys, a great blue heron or, occasionally, a bald eagle, while on your canoe trip. A "day on the river" is a great way for families to enjoy northern Michigan's great outdoors.

Area canoe liveries offer river day-trips ranging in length from about two to six hours and overnight canoe/camp trips from two to six days, or more. Many families pack a picnic lunch for their day on the river. For those considering an overnight trip, there are state forest campgrounds at various points along the rivers.

The AuSable and Manistee are "Class 1" rivers, with no "whitewater" or heavy rapids. Canoeers who feel comfortable about their canoeing ability can generally easily maneuver around the rivers' natural log-jams and "sweepers," which

are cedar trees that hang out low over the river. Occasionally, heavy rain or spring melt-off can result in higher river levels and more difficult canoeing conditions that only experienced canoeers should challenge.

As with any water-sport activity, safety is a primary consideration. Floating or paddling the river is a risk activity, which can result in injury or even death if done carelessly or recklessly.

Canoeing season starts as soon as spring temperatures begin to warm and ends with the fall color season. Summer weekends can be very busy at the area liveries, so advance reservations are strongly encouraged.

Guests are encouraged to dress appropriately: warm, layered clothing in cool weather (don't forget extra dry clothes in a secure dry bag); remember sunscreen and lightweight, long-sleeved shirts to provide sun protection on hot summer days. Taking along rainwear is always a wise choice; northern Michigan weather can change quite quickly.

Members of the Grayling

AuSable Canoe Livery Association (GACLA) love sober canoeers. Canoeing while intoxicated is dangerous and illegal. GACLA members remind you: kegs, hard liquor and glass beverage containers are not allowed. There is a limit of one six-pack of beer per canoe.

Radios are not allowed in the canoe. Enjoy the natural sounds and respect others quiet enjoyment of the river. There also are no styrofoam coolers allowed. If the canoe upsets, they break into small pieces and cause unsightly litter.

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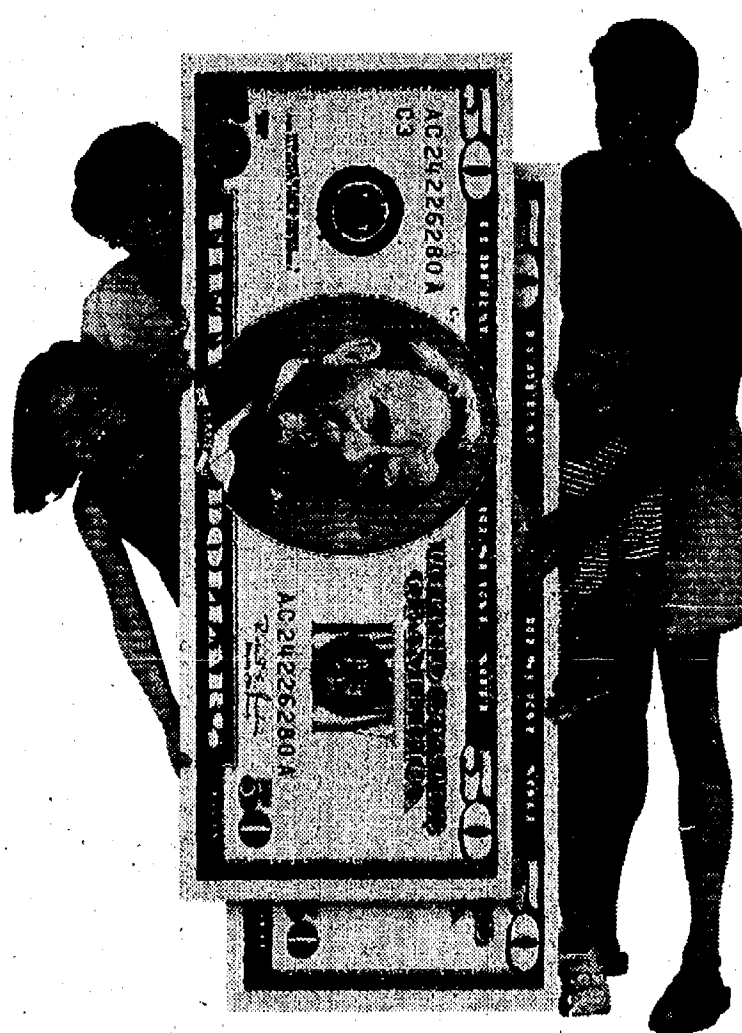


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this year.

All three local country clubs contain golf courses which are playable for all levels of golfers. Any player of any talent ability can play the courses Crawford County has to offer and have fun.

The three golf courses also contain some challenging hazards to make each round interesting. Grayling Country Club features standard bunkers and water. Fox Run's hazards include marshes and ponds. The Skyline course features some dramatic changes in elevation and water hazards.

Fox Run Country Club — The 18-hole, par 72 Fox Run golf course is cut through the natural setting of numerous hardwoods. The holes follow the natural terrain and go with the lay of the land.

Fox Run Country Club is located one-half mile west of I-75, off of exit 251 on Four Mile Road in Beaver Creek Township.

Fox Run can be reached at (989) 348-4343.

Grayling Country Club — The 5,800 yards of the 18 holes of

the Grayling Country Club golf course are set along the banks of the AuSable River. Par for the course is 70.

The Grayling Country Club is located along the I-75 Business Loop in downtown Grayling near Big Boy.

Grayling Country Club can be reached at (989) 348-5618.

Skyline Ski and Country Club — Skyline's golf course — a new addition to its facility — will be ready for business this year. The Skyline course is constructed on terrain that features changes in elevation of almost 150 feet from one end to the other. Par for the 18-hole golf course is 72. The course was designed by John Robinson, who was rated one of the top 49 golf course designers in North America by Golf Inc. magazine last year.

Skyline has also recently renovated its club house and its restaurant/bar.

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# Family Camping: A Time For Renewal

(American Outdoors  
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It's one reason why vacation camping is ranked as the third most popular recreational activity according to National Sporting Goods Association

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Think of the enjoyment of fishing with the youngsters, taking a long afternoon hike, settling back with a good book and then at the end of the day to sit quietly by a fire and speak softly of important things like "how beautiful the sunset was" or "what a great dinner we just had."

The Cruise America Travel Advisory Council, made up of avid travelers and sportsmen, remind us that it's a time when the lessons of pulling together for one cause are illustrated to family members in even the simplest of tasks like gathering firewood or planning where to travel to next.

Camping is a great time for one-on-one conversations, a time to share ideas without distractions and the rushing around and complexities of everyday life.

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# Discover Boating By Answering Eight Simple Questions

(American Outdoors News Features)

Boating provides a wonderful recreational getaway for millions of people. It's easy to hop into a car, drive down to a nearby lake and take off on a water-skiing or fishing excursion. The hard part is deciding what kind of boat you want to enjoy your leisure time with. With literally hundreds of boat makes and models to choose from, a boater has to sift through a myriad of options to determine which boat is right for them.

Discover Boating, an independent program set up by the boating industry to help new and seasoned boaters get into the right boat to fit their lifestyle, has introduced eight questions for people to ask when starting their search for a new boat:

**1. Which type of boat is right for me?** One of the terrific things about boating is that there are boats designed for different activities, and there truly is something for everyone. To narrow down the search, simply ask what will the boat be used for. Fishing and generally enjoying local waterways? Waterskiing, wakeboarding and exciting watersports? Cruising with family and friends? Racing? A little of everything?

**2. How big a boat will I need?** This depends on several things: how many people will be boating at one time? Where will the boat be used? Every new boat has an "NMMA capacity plate" that tells how many people can safely fit on board. In order to enjoy the boat in different places, the boat should be 26 feet or less, for easy trailering.

**3. What will it cost?** There's a boat for every budget. Boat owners are often surprised that their dream boat cost less than they'd expected! New boats and pre-owned boats bought at a reputable dealership can be financed, so take advantage of monthly payments. As with cars, pre-owned boats typically cost less than a similar new model.

**4. What is the best time of year to buy?** The best time is when you are ready! Great deals on boats can be found any time of year. Boat shows also provide excellent opportunities to find "show specials." Boat show attendees can comparison shop among a wide variety of brands and dealers.

**5. How do you find a good dealer?** Boat shows are ideal for finding the dealer that best suits the buyer's needs. Look for a dealer that is fairly convenient to where you'll be using your boat. Depending on your needs, your dealer may also service and store your boat. The dealer who is open about his facilities, and who offers to take you for a test drive is probably a good choice.

**6. Where can I learn the waterway rules?** Boaters, education courses are available through the Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, BoatUS, Boat-Ed.com and BoatSafe.com.

**7. Should I buy new or used?** Shopping for a new boat first is recommended. This is important to gain insight into which type of boat is best for you and the market price. You can comparison shop for similar pre-owned models. Think about warranties when comparing

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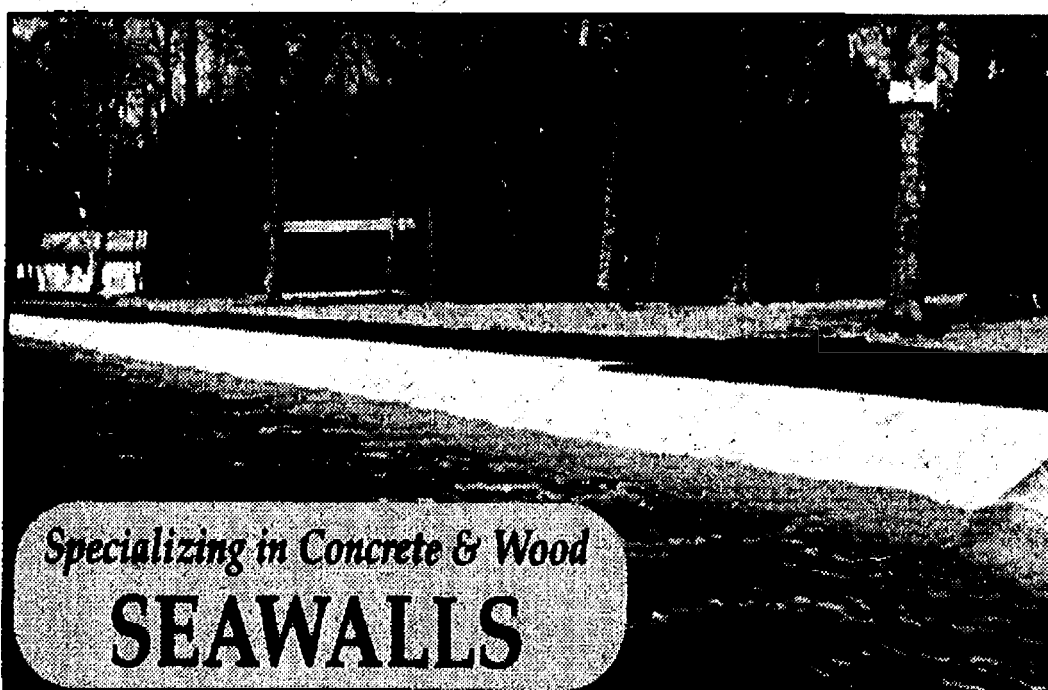
**8. If I buy used how do I know the boat is in good condition?** Get a qualified marine surveyor's inspection. Surveyors will check all systems, as well as the hull structure. Call several insurance companies in your area for recommended surveyors.

These questions should help anyone interested in boating pick out the perfect boat for their lifestyle. But, for those that are more inquisitive, the Discover Boating Guy is always available at [www.DiscoverBoating.com](http://www.DiscoverBoating.com) to answer any questions.

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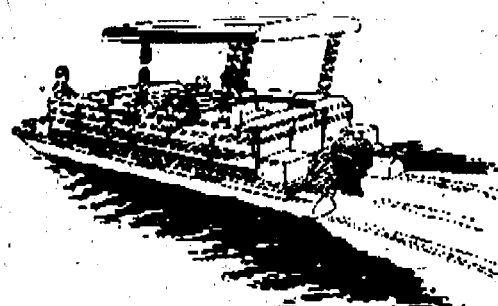
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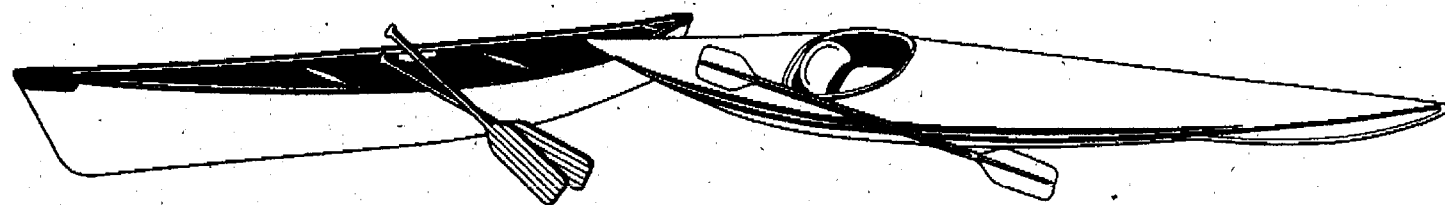
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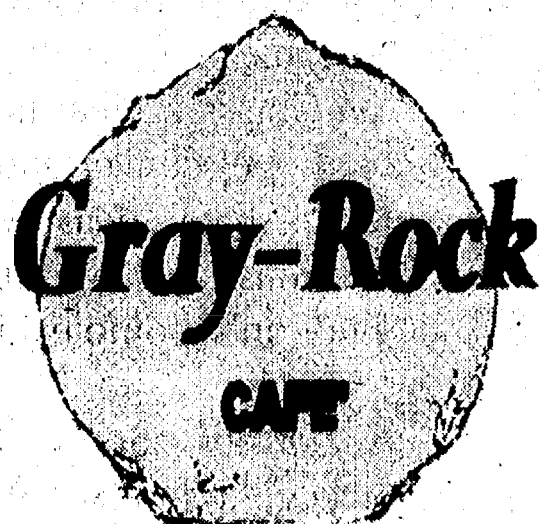
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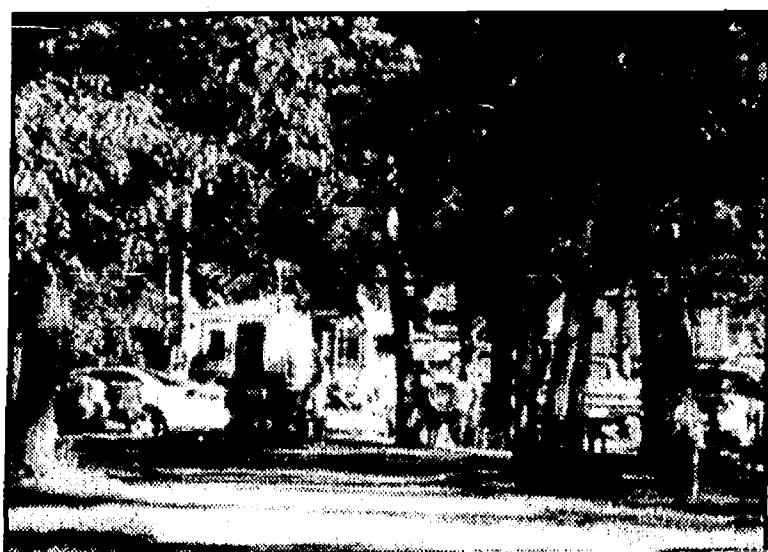


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(American Outdoors News Features)

Boaters are generally sun worshippers, but you can get too much of a good thing. Here are some tips for protection from the Mercury Outboards boating folks.

First off, use plenty of sunscreen lotion with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher, on exposed skin especially for children and those that are fair-skinned. Wear a comfortable hat. Wide brimmed "floppy" hats are great added protection for ears and back of necks. Consider wearing breathable long sleeved pants and shirts to defuse the sun's exposure, along with quality sunglasses

to protect against UV rays.

If your boat has a top, by all means put it up when you're spending hours out on the water during the middle of the day. If you don't have a top, carry a white umbrella aboard and use it as a sun shield while you're anchored or running slowly. It's especially beneficial for older fishermen and kids, who are affected much faster by hot weather. If you're near a shoreline, seek the shade of a tree to relax under.

An ice chest and some cold drinks are practically essential in summer boating. Drinking water is the best refreshment. Also you can dip a cloth in the cold water of the ice chest and wipe your hands and face

periodically. Or, lay it on the back of your neck.

You can also keep cool by simply dumping some water from the lake or stream over your clothing. In the process of evaporating, the water will help lower your body temperature.

Keep an eye on your passengers. If someone in your party quits sweating or feels weak, nauseated, faint, or if his or her skin feels hot and dry, it's time to take action. Get the sufferer into the shade and into a comfortable lying position. Cool him down with wet towels and by circulating air around him. If he doesn't seem to respond, get medical attention immediately.

## Safe Boating Check List

(American Outdoors News Features)

The National Marine Manufacturer Association (NMMA) and leading marine companies like Mercury Outboards and Tracker Marine, provide this "Boating Check List" to consider before starting the engine:

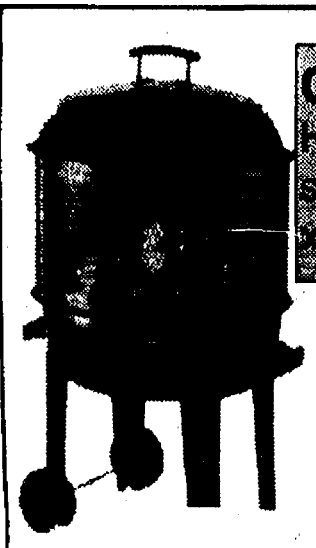
- Is the DRAIN PLUG securely in place?
- Is there one LIFE-SAVING DEVICE (personal flotation - PFD) for every person on board?
- Is the STEERING SYSTEM working smoothly and properly?
- Does the FUEL SYSTEM have adequate fuel; are there leaks or fumes?
- Is the BATTERY fully charged and are cable terminals clean and tight?
- Is the ENGINE in neutral?
- Does the CAPACITY PLATE, found near the helm or steering wheel, indicate overload or excess power?
- Are WEATHER CONDITIONS safe to go out?
- Is all ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (lights, horn, pump, etc.) working?
- Is EMERGENCY GEAR (fire extinguisher, bailer, paddle, anchor & line, signaling

device, tool kit, etc.) in place?

Additional cautions for tow vehicles. For the many boating families which tow their vessels to launching areas, NMMA, Mercury and Tracker offer an additional safety checklist, making sure:

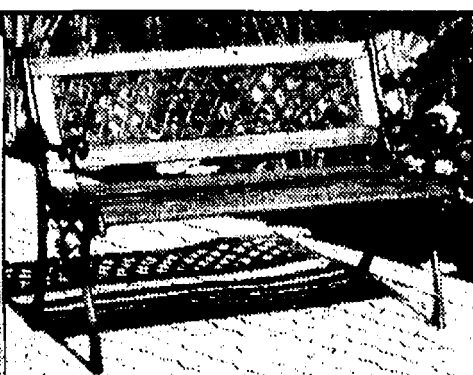
- Coupler, hitch and hitch ball are of the same size;
- Coupler and safety chains are safely secured to hitch;
- Fasteners are properly tightened;
- Boat is securely tied down to trailer (winch line is not a tie down);
- Wheel lug nuts are properly tightened;
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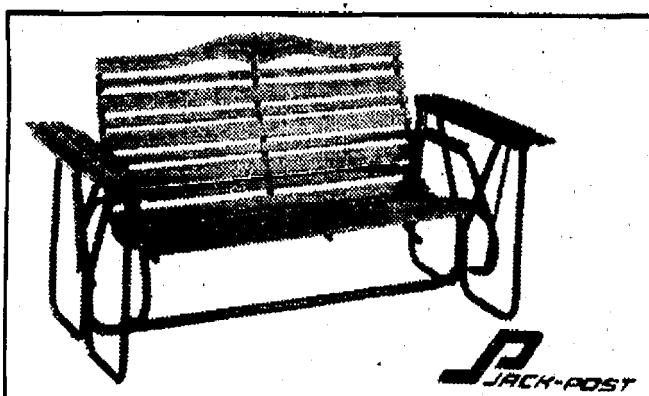


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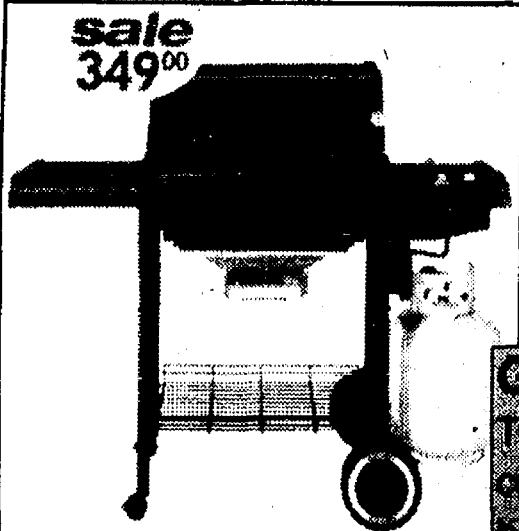
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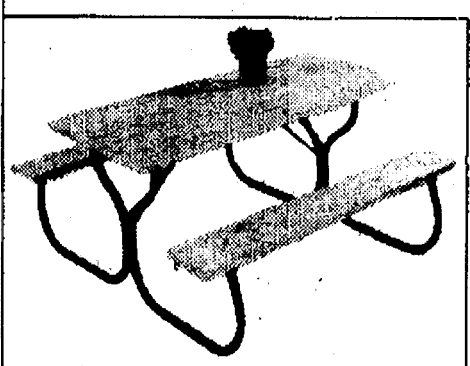
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# Getting Up On Two Water Skis

(American Outdoors News Features)

It's the start of many fun moments on the water – learning how to ski on combination skis. Just like learning to ride a bike the first moments on skis can also be a challenge. The experts at Mercury Outboards and Mercury MerCruiser, which powers more ski boat brands than any other engine manufacturer, offers these tips on getting started:

Practice first on dry land. A great place to start is to practice on dry land to give novice skiers the "feel" before trying it on the water. Wearing the proper personal flotation device (PFD) also helps simulate its feel.

- With the ski binders fitted snugly on your feet sit back on the ends of your skis.

- While holding the handle of the rope, have a friend or instructor pull you up.

- Let the pull of the line do the work as you gradually rise with arms and back held straight almost to a standing position. Practice this pulling motion several times.

- Next, try putting the skis on in neck deep water. It will help you become more proficient before going for the deepwater start.

Here's how to get up on two water skis from a deepwater start:

- Your PFD will keep you buoyant while you place the skis snugly on your feet.

- As you did on the beach, bend your knees towards your chest and place the rope between your knees with the handle in your hands.

- Facing the rear of the towboat point the skis about shoulder length apart, with at

least 6-12 inches of skis above the water. Keep your knees together, skis parallel as the boat begins to move forward. Don't yell "Hit it!" to the observer and driver until the rope is tight and your skis are up.

- Stay in a sitting position, until the boat pulls you on top of the water. Slowly stand as your skis become horizontal to the water. A little bend in the knees will act as a shock absorber as you stand.

- Standing too soon can throw you off balance causing you to fall backwards or forwards.

- Keep your arms straight and don't pull the rope towards your body.

- Don't look down at the skis. Keeping your sights set on the boat helps in keeping a balanced position.

- Use your body to slightly steer in the right direction if you feel you are going off balance.

- Keep your back straight, with skis shoulder width apart.

- After you are up and balanced stay inside the wakes for a while to get a feel of the skis. To go right or left, lean or bank your skis in that direction.

- If you fall try not to do it forward and don't forget to let go of the rope. Let the observer and driver in the boat know you're okay by clapping your hands over your head.

## Tips:

- Know how to swim before trying skiing or other water sports.

- Skis for youngsters should be about 40 to 50 inches long with appropriately smaller binders. Skis this size are easier for them to handle than

longer and heavier adult skis of 60-70 inches.

- Don't fight it. Skiers should let the skis and the boat do the work.

- Skiers should establish hand signals with the driver and observer to know if you want to go faster or slower.

- The average skier will take five or six tries to finally get up.

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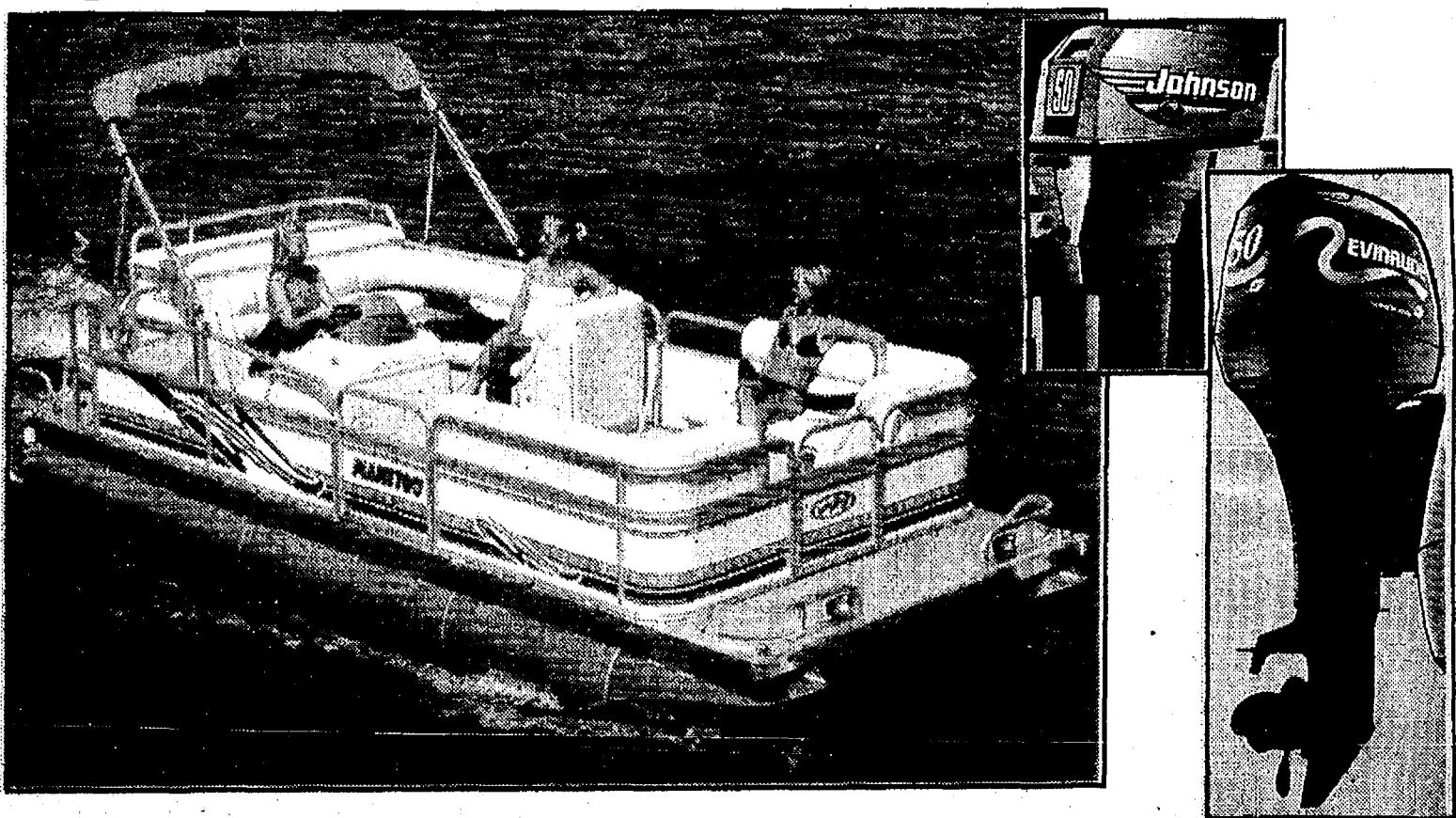
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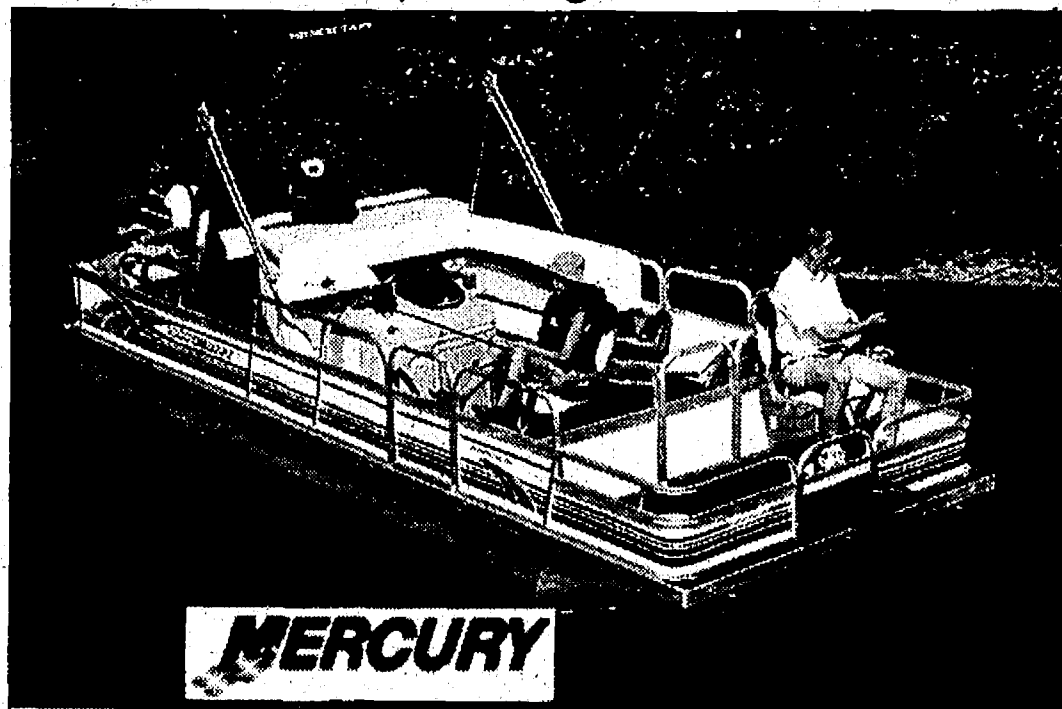
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# The Great Outdoors – So Many Choices For Fun

(American Outdoors News Features)

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Why? Because the outdoors and all of the variety of recreational activities associated with it are fun for families and friends to relax and recharge.

Check out these facts and figures from 2001:

- Vacation camping with 45.5 million participants was the third most popular recreational activity behind exercise walking and swimming according to the

National Sporting Goods Association (NSGA) surveys. This supports research by Cruise America with RV, rental and motor home ownership use and the emphasis of families spending more time together since the September 11 tragedy.

- Nearly 70 million people participated in recreational boating of all types last year says the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) in its annual estimate report.

- Through registrations the NMMA estimate 17 million recreational boats are in use across the country.

- Outboard boats are by far and away the most popular craft. Over 8.3 million outboard boats are on the water says the NMMA, and companies like Tracker Marine and Mercury Marine.

- Fishing and outboard boats are big. Officials at Mercury Marine point out that over 80% of all outboards are sold with the activity of fishing in mind for the owner.

- The experts at Tracker Boats and NSGA say that over 44.4 million Americans go fishing each year and over a third of them are women. That means

nearly one out of every five people in this country fish; more than the amount that golf, play tennis or alpine ski combined.

- Catch and release fishing continues to catch on. The fishing experts at companies like Mercury, Tracker and associations like the FishAmerica Foundation and Coastal Conservation Association all report a growing number of catch, photograph and release fishing events with which they are involved.

- Nearly 6 million people participated in water skiing and wakeboard activities according to MerCruiser and NMMA figures.

- Being a mobile society, trailering boats to favorite waterway destinations is popular with over 7.5 million boat trailers in use, says the NMMA. In addition many boats are trailered behind motorhomes, reports Cruise America, the nation's largest RV rental company, to scenic lakeshore camping vacation get-aways.

- Sailboat ownership is over 1.6 million according to the NMMA. Programs like Discover Sailing are helping to introduce the sport at hundreds of sites across the nation.



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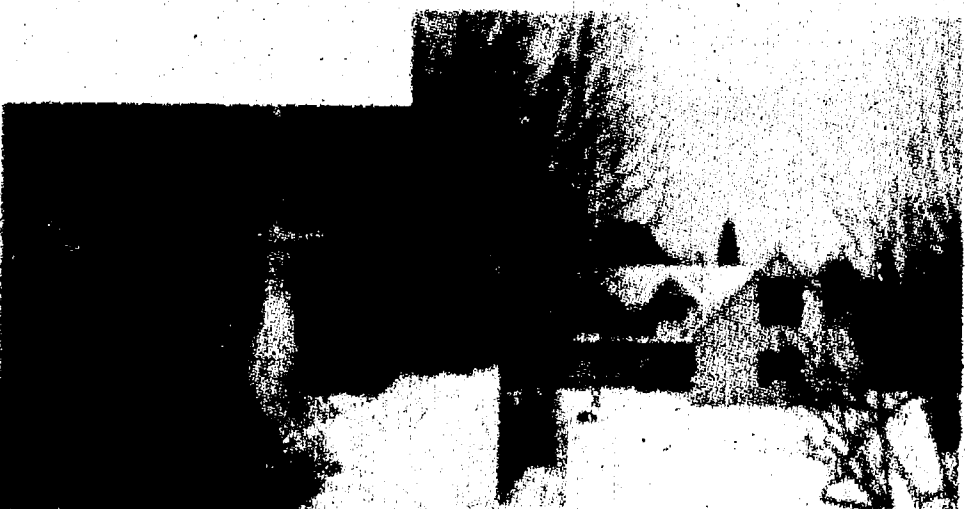
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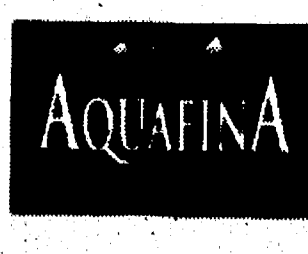
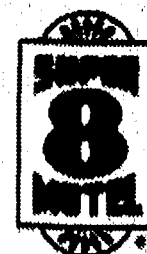
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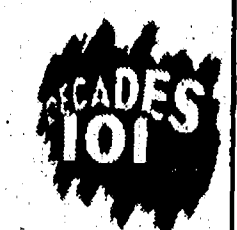
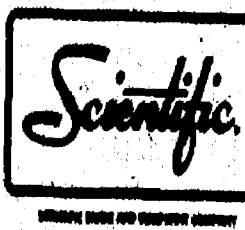
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## Hanson Hills under new direction

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

A new director has been hired to manage the Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Justin Andre was hired recently by the Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) to replace Cindy Olson in those duties.

Olson resigned her position after more than seven years, effective April 16, to pursue a career in life and health insurance sales with her husband, Herb.

Andre, who was born in Grayling, will graduate this week from Lake Superior State University with a degree in Business Management. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Recreation Management last year from the same college. Prior to that, Andre graduated from Lincoln High School in Ypsilanti. He is expected to begin his duties on May 1.

The 24-year old was chosen from more than 50 applicants



Justin Andre  
GRA Director

and has experience working with the parks and recreation department in Boulder, CO. Andre said he still has a lot of family in the Grayling area and decided to accept the position because of the area's beauty and recreational assets.

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## Nursing home hosts Easter egg hunt



The Grayling Nursing Centre hosted an Easter egg hunt for Grayling Co-Op Preschool and AuSable Primary. Residents filled 400 eggs with treasures and hid them. Zachery Schrieber and Emily Wingard found the most eggs and each won an Easter basket filled with gifts.

## Debris from Big Rock coming soon

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Debris from the Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant (BRPNP) site will begin flowing into the Waters Landfill, located in Maple Forest Township, at the end of April.

The Big Rock plant was decommissioned in 1997 after 35 years of operation. The radioactive material will be shipped to Barnwell, South Carolina and/or Clive, Utah. The clean, non-radioactive building material will be shipped to Waters.

One of the major concerns of local officials has been the definition of clean.

To the layman, clean means no

radiation above background level. To the nuclear industry, clean means radiation exposure of less than one millirem. Tim Petroskey, Public Affairs Director of the Big Rock Point Restoration Project said for the restoration plan Consumers Energy has defined clean as less than one one-hundredth of one millirem. He also said the highest level of radiation in the waste shipped to Waters would be 0.009 millirem which is the amount of radiation given off by a household smoke detector. He added that this level of radiation would be an extremely unlikely occurrence based on the fact that the material is checked before it

leaves the plant.

In fact, the material has already been checked for radiation and cleaned where necessary. After cleaning, the material was again checked for radiation levels.

A second concern expressed by local officials dealt with who was checking the loads and how often.

Both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) believe the disposal plan is more than adequate and will be checking the loads approximately once

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## Canadian trash: No local control

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Citing the lack of local and state regulatory control over solid waste imported from Canada, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners signed a resolution last week urging the U.S. Congress to allow such control.

The Commissioners learned of the first delivery of Canadian trash to the Waste Management landfill in Waters just days before it arrived. The first two truckloads of an estimated 11,000 tons expected to be deposited at the landfill this year arrived last Friday.

Environmental Monitor Bruce Patrick, who replaced Pat Merrill after he took a job in the Upper Peninsula, advised the Board at its regular meeting April 16 that Ontario no longer has any open landfills and the trash originally destined for Port Huron was coming to Waters from Sudbury, Ontario because it was closer in distance.

Merrill warned the Board more than two years ago of the possibility of Canadian solid waste coming to the Waters landfill, part of which is situated in the northern Crawford County township of Maple

Forest.

According to Patrick, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality reported 6.5 million cubic yards of Type 2 (Household Waste) was received by Michigan landfills from Canada in 2002. One cubic yard is equal to about one ton.

County Chair Lynette Corlew remarked Ontario and Canada are "filled with wide open spaces" and the Canadian government has failed to plan ahead and develop its own landfills. Now Crawford County, among others in Michigan, is going to pay the price of potential environmental hazards.

The transport of household waste across the border from Canada is federally protected under the U.S. Constitution through the North American Free Trade Agreement, but the Commissioners are concerned about appropriate inspections of shipments.

In their resolution sent to U.S. Senators Carl Levin (D-MI) and Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), and U.S. Representative Bart Stupak (D-MI), the County Commissioners point out that the authority to regulate interstate and international

commerce lies in their hands. They also point out inspections of solid waste shipments from Canada are "infrequent and of questionable reliability." They believe this leaves the disposal of hazardous waste a possibility at landfills designed for the disposal of household waste, including the Waters landfill.

The Commissioners described this lack of local control "a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of Michigan" and urged "in the strongest terms possible" that both houses of Congress work diligently to provide legislation to provide regulation by the State of Michigan of solid waste generated outside of the state and imported for disposal.

Maple Forest Township Supervisor Mark Kniss said, "I am dead set against the Canadian trash coming to the landfill."

Kniss and his Board of Trustees are currently trying to make sure building materials from the dismantling of the Big Rock Point nuclear power plant in Charlevoix are not radioactive above safe levels. These materials are destined for disposal at the Waters landfill, too, at the end of this month.

## SHRINERS BRING EASTER GREETINGS



Members of the Grayling AuSable Shrine club visited residents of Grayling Mercy Manor and Grayling Nursing Centre to share Easter greetings with them. Pictured left to right are Jerry Gosnell, Fred Campbell, Nelson Miles, who will be 101 years young May 9, Arnie Stancil and Kenneth Eldridge. Miles is a member of Lodge 356, Free and Accepted Masons as well as a member of the AuSable Shrine Club.

## Camp Grayling: A reminder of our freedom

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Through hard work and tenacity, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners said Rasmus Hanson achieved the American dream.

On April 16, the Board passed a resolution honoring that dream which led to the creation of Camp Grayling 90 years ago because of the lumberman's gift of land to the State of Michigan.

According to the resolution and local history, Hanson decid-

ed to give back to the state and through his "great patriotism and generosity, made possible the founding of the Hanson Military Reservation."

Hanson donated about 14,000 acres on the southern end of Lake Margrethe, then known as Portage Lake.

The lake was later renamed in honor of Hanson's wife, Margrethe.

The camp was originally named after then governor,

Woodbridge Ferris, and was later renamed Camp Grayling.

On the 90th anniversary of Camp Grayling, the Commissioners together congratulated the Michigan National Guard and the late Rasmus Hanson as they "continue to remind us daily of the freedoms we enjoy."

The Commissioners said they will "continually champion our military's efforts at home and abroad."

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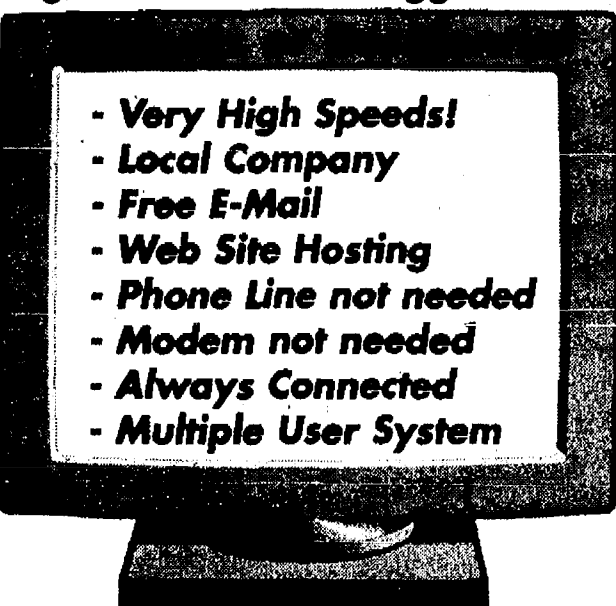
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## Key Club completes drive for River House



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

With help from many in the community, including businesses and individuals, the Grayling High School Key Club was able to collect over 720 items for its Key Club Hygiene Product Drive to benefit the clients of River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services. The drive will help offset the shelter's expense for such items as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and tissue. Key Club Vice President Laura Strohkirch, Treasurer Charley McNamara and member Ariel Strohkirch stopped for this picture, then presented the items recently to River House Shelter staff.

## Hanson Hills under new direction

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Andre said he has some new programs in mind to attract people of all ages to Hanson Hills. Some of his ideas include bonfires and barbeques, outdoor music concerts, teen dances and the possible creation of a BMX bicycle track, as well as a beach volleyball court.

Current soccer, softball and T-ball programs are expected to continue.

The new director said the facilities are not being utilized to

their full capacity and would like to see Hanson Hills become a meeting place of choice for local groups and for conferences by groups from outside the area.

The financial situation of the GRA will have some bearing on programs offered at Hanson Hills, which is funded in part by millage dollars. The majority of funding is revenue from fees paid by program participants and sponsors. "With a lot of hard work, we have survived," said Olson. "But more funding is

needed if Hanson Hills is to be successful."

Olson said during her tenure, many capital improvement projects have been completed including a new roof for the main lodge, development of soccer fields and irrigation. The list of activities and programs offered to the community also increased. Andre said he hopes to see the playground improved, an updating of grooming equipment for the ski programs, additional lighting and to make Hanson

Hills handicap accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"I would like to thank the community for all its wonderful support and ask everyone to support Justin in his challenge to help the programs and events at Hanson Hills continue to grow and be successful," Olson said.

The first official event under Andre's direction will be Kite Day on May 17, his second will be the mountain bike race scheduled for June.

## Debris from Big Rock coming soon

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a month. Consumers Energy has also agreed to pay for third party oversight of the project.

The contents of the trucks will be scanned by radiation detectors and the print-outs will be checked by a second group. The print-outs will then be checked by the third party overseer. If the debris is found to be over the accepted limit of five picoCuries per gram, it will not be sent to the Waters landfill.

When the trucks reach the Waters landfill, they are subject to another inspection by Waste Management personnel who will be using the same monitoring

system used at Big Rock Point. Each truck will be tested at the scale house and if any are found to be above the accepted limit they will be sent back to Big Rock Point and the MDEQ will be notified.

According to Petroskey it will take approximately 18 months to bring all the debris to Waters.

A major concern has been whether dumping this debris in a type II landfill (general rubbish, household garbage and demolition material) is setting a nationwide precedent for acceptance of low-level radiation waste from other sources.

Normally debris of the type

Consumers Energy will be trucking to Waters is left on site, with the structures intact or demolished. Otherwise the debris is handled as low level radioactive waste and shipped to a low level waste facility. Either action would be in accordance with established NRC policy.

A Michigan Department of Environmental Quality internal memo dated January 24, 2000, questions the need to remove all plant structures and restore the site to "greenfield" status (a totally restored site with no restrictions due to radioactivity).

When asked what plans Consumers Energy has for the

site, Petroskey said there were no plans at this time. He said they just wanted to change it from an industrial site to a parklike setting. He also said that a site is considered "greenfield" with a reading approximately three times the radiation limit set for the debris to be hauled to Waters.

The memo also states that "the BRPNP staff feels that nuclear industry interest in this cost-effective waste management concept will be extensive..." It continues, "the BRPNP proposal, once approved by the NRC, may set a precedent that would lead to extensive application elsewhere throughout the country."

## Argument leads to stabbing

by Cheryll Ruley  
 Staff Writer

Underage drinking is believed to have been a factor in the early morning stabbing last Sunday of a local teen.

Troopers from the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police were called at about 2:40 a.m. to respond to the stabbing incident at a home on Sand Hill Road in Frederic Township on April 20.

Early questioning of the vic-

tim, 19-year old Juel L. Joseph, Jr., and witnesses led to the identity of the suspect, 19-year old Michael Brandon Trospen. Through a combined effort by Houghton Lake Troopers, Gaylord Post Troopers and Grayling City Police, Trospen was located and arrested without further incident.

According to the Michigan State Police, the stabbing took place in the driveway of Joseph's home as an end result of a fight

earlier that night when Trospen was assaulted at a party being held at another home.

Troopers said Trospen left the party following the alleged assault, got a knife and went to Joseph's home. Upon his arrival, Trospen and Joseph argued in the driveway, then began to fight physically during which Joseph was stabbed in the abdomen. Trospen then left.

Details of what caused the pair to argue and fight were not yet available due to a continuing investigation involving the interviews of more witnesses.

Joseph was taken by Frederic Township Fire and Rescue to Mercy Hospital in Grayling for treatment. Troopers report doctors at Mercy Hospital indicated the stab wound was not life threatening.

Trospen was lodged in the Crawford County Jail following his arrest and was arraigned April 22 in 83rd District Court on one felony charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder.



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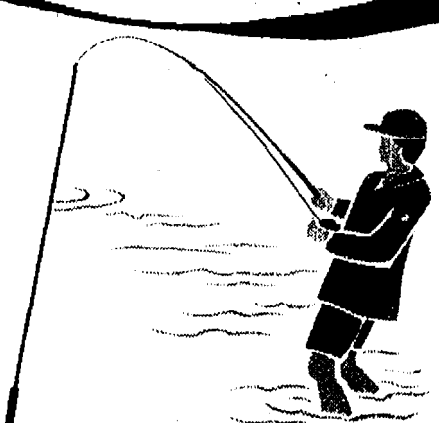
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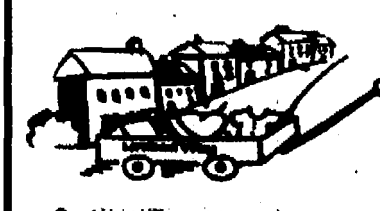


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## 'Book Fairy' program drawing to a close



Frederic Elementary fifth-graders are checking out the selections at the next-to-last book fairy session. The program will end in May but has been active at Frederic Elementary for several years. With funding by the Frederic Parent Teacher Organization, donations and the Public Enrichment Foundation each student at the school has been given a book each month by the 'book fairy.' For the last three years Ilene Geiss-Wilson has been acting alone as the 'book fairy' dressing up in costume complete with tiara and wings. This year she was joined by volunteer Kristin Wilson whose children attend Frederic Elementary.

## City agrees to purchase planters

The Grayling City Council, at the request of the Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA), approved the purchase of 16 new, portable planters for the downtown area last week.

At last Monday's regular council meeting, a representative from GUDA gave a presentation to the city council that included its interpretation of the deal the

city and the association made last year when the old planters were removed and four possible styles for the new planters.

The old planters, which were permanent fixtures, were removed due to snow removal issues on the sidewalks downtown, with the understanding that new, portable planters would be installed in 2003 to replace them,

City Manager Allen Lowe said. The issue of who would pay for the new planters "was left up in the air," he said.

GUDA's representative said the association has agreed to maintain the planters once they are put in. The association requested a minimum of 16 new planters but added that it "would like more."

After the presentation and discussion, the council voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of 16 planters. The style selected was by far the lightest of the four (37 pounds apiece without soil or plants). The planters cost \$525 each for a total of \$8,400.

The city has agreed to pack up and store the planters during the winter months, Lowe said.

## Warbler Fest buttons now available

Kirtland's Warbler Festival buttons are now on sale at several area chambers of commerce and visitors bureaus, affording local residents a 40 percent discount in the price of the May 17 event.

The buttons cost \$3 in advance and \$5 on campus the day of the event. Children 12 and under are free. Parking is free.

Buttons are available at chambers in Grayling, Houghton Lake, Mio, Roscommon, St. Helen and West Branch, and visitor's bureaus in Houghton Lake and Grayling.

With many new attractions for local visitors and increasing numbers of serious birders attending from points all across the continent and as far away as Anchorage, Alaska, attendance is

expected to surpass 2,000 or more for the 10th annual festival. So volunteers are needed.

"This is an opportunity to be helpful and to also join in the fun and educational events of the day," said volunteer organizer Carole Chilton. Volunteers are needed to greet visitors in the parking lot and give directions, sell badges needed for presentations and tours, help with children's activities such as constructing birdhouses and fishing in the pond, provide hospitality at the fine arts gallery, and distribute tickets to riders on a horse-drawn wagon to the nearby Red Pine area.

In all, more than 70 volunteers are needed to keep things running smoothly. All volunteers will receive a special gift as well

as a free badge - the pass to all presentations and tours during the Saturday event.

Volunteers are community members from the Kirtland region, which lies in the heart of the jack pines Kirtland's warbler - one of the world's rarest birds - calls home during the summer months. Northern Michigan is the only place where serious birders have a chance to view the bird, since it's easy to find in the forest because of its mating song. It winters in the Bahamas, but is uncommonly difficult to find because it's not warbling.

Those interested in volunteering for even a few hours should phone Carole Chilton at 275-5958, chiltonc@kirtland.edu or Betty Ehinger at 275-5000, ext.252, ehingerb@kirtland.edu.

## Emergency plan update will focus on terrorism

Supplemental grant funding is being made available to all Emergency Management programs in the state to modify and enhance their Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) to address all-hazards including terrorism.

Larry Akers, local Emergency Management Director, reported recently Crawford County will

receive over \$15,925 to be used to hire someone to fulfill the temporary position of "plan writer," tasked with reviewing the county's current EOP.

Following the review, the plan will be updated as needed, with emphasis on terrorism response, recovery, and coordination plans, including the development of procedures, checklists and relat-

ed tools.

A portion of the grant will also be available for equipment, training and related expenses.

In addition to reviewing the existing plans and Michigan State Police guidelines for developing the new portions, the plan writer will be meeting with local agencies and individuals responsible for the current annexes.

## Local preparedness gets \$35,000 boost

The Emergency Management Division of the Department of State Police has awarded a grant of \$35,072 to Crawford County Emergency Management as part of the Department of Justice's State Domestic Preparedness Program (SDPP).

The purpose of the grant is to help local agencies answer the needs of Homeland Security and readiness, by continuing the acquisition of first responder equipment.

The grant requires no matching funds, so no local budgets will be affected.

All emergency services in Crawford County, as well as public works and Grayling Mercy Hospital, were invited to submit equipment requests.

After meeting with the requesting agencies, the following purchases were authorized:

- Beaver Creek Fire Department - Level A protective suits and personnel accountability equipment (\$18,461.97).
- Frederic Fire Department - Mobile radios (\$3,838.20).
- Grayling Fire Department - Scott Air Pack Bottles (\$4,877.80).

- Mobile Medical Response (MMR) - Helmets, cut-resistant gloves, chemical-resistant gloves, safety glasses, Level C protective suits (\$2,475.85).
- South Branch Township Fire Department - Gas monitors and kits, portable and mobile radios (\$2,672.45).
- Lovells Fire Department - Portable and mobile radios (\$2,211.27).

Workshops will be held in May to describe the next round of funding expected to become available this summer.

## Saturday is Adopt-A-Pet Day

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, in cooperation with TV 9 and 10 News, will be participating in Adopt-A-Pet Day, this Saturday, April 26.

The shelter will be open extended hours that day, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and each pet adopted will receive a free gift.

"All of our pets are spayed or neutered and are current on vaccinations," said Shelter Director Dixie Lobsinger. "If you are looking for a new pet, come and meet some of the great ones at the animal shelter. We will be

happy to introduce you to them."

Shelter staff and volunteers are also gearing up to attend the "Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo" adoption event, May 3-4. "All of the pets we now have will be going to the Detroit Zoo to find new homes that weekend," Lobsinger said.

Photos and information about the many pets available for adoption at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County can be found by logging on to: ascc.petfinder.com

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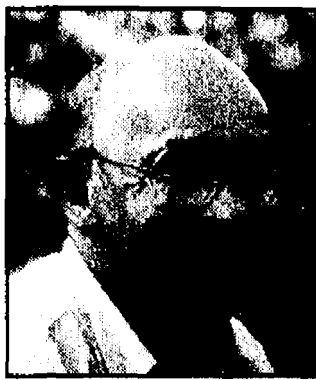


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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Canadian trash starting to raise big stink

YOU CAN FIND hardly anyone connected with Michigan government or politics who is not concerned by Canada trucking trash into Michigan landfills.

The question is what can be done about it.

Each day 130 or more trucks come from Canada into Michigan to dump Canadian trash into Michigan landfills mainly in the eastern part of the state.

Toronto, Canada's largest city, exports all its trash to Michigan.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers, Brighton Republican, is pushing a bill in Congress to allow states to ban Canadian trash.

His colleague, Rep. John Dingell, Dearborn Democrat and dean of the U.S. House, claims that would violate the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Mr. Dingell in 1994 sponsored a bill to limit import of trash. It passed the House but was spiked in the Senate. He has introduced

the same bill again this year.

According to an Associated Press story, New England states blocked the Dingell bill in 1994 because they export trash, too.

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IN THE SENATE this year, Michigan Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, both Democrats, pushed a bill through the Senate to require inspection of Canadian trash trucks entering Michigan.

Mr. Rogers and others don't think much of that idea as a solution. Inspections don't "remove the threat posed by Canadian trash," according to U.S. Rep. Candice Miller, Macomb Republican.

It's not quite clear in all the current hubbub why Michigan imports so much trash from Canada, or how the practice got started in the first place. Money is probably involved somehow.

It's inconceivable that somewhere in the vastness that is Canada, a native landfill cannot

be established to accommodate home grown Canadian trash, and probably at a lower cost than shipping it into the next country.

Trash filled trucks also wear down both state and local road systems, as well as create traffic congestion. Potential contamination of natural resources, both now and in the future, should be a Michigan concern, too.

The Michigan folks in Congress in both parties are on the right track. Let's hope they work together to find solutions.

Michigan should have the right to decide how much trash can be imported.

If the Rogers approach violates NAFTA, then a way around it should be found, or maybe NAFTA should be changed.

Let's keep Michigan landfills for Michigan trash.

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DEMS SOFTENING -- Michigan Democrats appear to be abandoning -- at least for 2004 -- their eight year fight to move

their presidential nominating caucuses ahead of other states.

Senator Carl Levin, for one, has long argued that Iowa with its caucuses and New Hampshire with its preferential primary, should not be allowed to wield such a big stick in the presidential selection process every four years.

In 2004, the Iowa caucuses are scheduled tentatively for Jan. 19, 2004, and the New Hampshire primary is due on Jan. 27, 2004.

Neither Iowa nor New Hampshire is anywhere near a normal political state, nor is either large enough or varied enough to present a true picture of the overall Democratic party, Mr. Levin and others have argued.

Michigan, on the other hand, is more varied in its socio-economic and ethnic makeup, and more evenly divided in its political structure, so it more nearly reflects the entire country.

In addition, goes the Levin the-

sis, Michigan is more crucial for the Democratic candidate to carry in the final election. His reasoning makes considerable sense.

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SENATOR LEVIN FOR years has been pushing the concept that Michigan's Democratic caucuses should be ahead of the New Hampshire and Iowa selections.

The national Democratic party structure turned a cold shoulder to Mr. Levin's plea in 2000 and has not been receptive this year either, apparently because of tradition. Change is tough for a lot of folks -- including politicians -- to embrace.

Now the Michigan AFL-CIO has decided not to support the 2004 Levin challenge to the status quo. Instead, the union has endorsed February 7 Michigan caucuses, which would put them about one week and a half after New Hampshire's primary and almost three weeks after the Iowa process.

Considering the union's numerical and political strength within the Michigan Democratic party, its action is pretty much a death knell for Michigan to lead the pack in picking the 2004 presidential nominee.

There may be a bright side for Michigan next year, however. With the multitude of candidates chasing the Democratic nomination, there's a chance the race will still be alive by the time the Michigan caucuses roll around.

But with the way presidential races have lined up in recent years, don't bet on it.

Senator Levin is right and his campaign is just. Along with his like-minded colleagues, he should continue the good fight.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## U.S., Britain have given Iraq a future

To the editor,  
This letter is in response to the letter by Mary Beth Brady, Cathy Lester, Faith Stripe, Bernadine Dosch, George Henley Morse, Lorna Morse and Lovona Koll (published April 10).

Just when I thought I could take a breather answering left-wing propaganda, this dribble shows up.

Your "peace at any cost" group certainly has a right to put whatever you wish in print. However, it seems to me that one of your little group could have made an effort to verify what you were spewing was at least partially true. Unfortunately, no one did, so I will have to educate you.

The reason the United States and Britain were forced to go into Iraq was that the United Nations passed and failed to act on at least 14 resolutions for Iraq to disarm of their weapons of mass destruction.

Do you remember Iraq invading the sovereign nation of Kuwait? Did you forget that Saddam plundered, raped, murdered citizens of that country before he was kicked out by the coalition put together by the

first President George Bush? Or, were you too busy marching down Michigan Avenue protesting that action, too?

Did you forget to protest President Clinton sending troops to Bosnia and Somalia? Clinton was in office for a majority of the time those 14 resolutions were passed by the U.N. and did nothing to encourage Iraq to comply, although he did have a few token cruise missiles fired at tents and camels in Iraq.

Our current President, George W. Bush, gave the U.N. every chance to enforce the resolutions passed against Iraq. Thanks to the actions of countries like Russia, Germany, and France, our president had no choice but to act. Our only true ally, Britain and Tony Blair, stood by us. These two courageous men told the U.N. to take a hike and put together a coalition of 40 countries to take care of the problem.

Have you missed the news that our brave troops have discovered a variety of missiles, suspected mobile chemical labs, suspected chemical stock piles, and a lab with suspected weapons-grade plutonium -- all

things banned by the resolutions passed by the U.N.

The U.N. weapons inspectors were too busy trying to appease Saddam to find any of these items. Through information passed on to the U.S. by Iraqi citizens, a terrorist training camp was discovered complete with the fuselage of a Boeing 727 jetliner. Iraqi prisoners of war reported this camp was attended by members of Al Qaeda.

Have you noticed the jubilation and gratitude of the people of Iraq, set free of a murderous madman? After our troops finish freeing the people of Iraq, and a new government is started, we will help rebuild and restore their country. Then we will leave them with their newfound freedom.

It will be up to the people of Iraq to keep what we have helped them achieve. Hopefully they will make the right choices. Whatever happens, this great country along with our ally, Britain, gave these people a chance for a new future.

James W. Allman  
Frederic

## UN, international team needed in Iraq

To the editor,  
Mr. Rick Anderson seems to believe that the United Nations wants to "control" how other nations want to govern themselves.

Sorry, Mr. Anderson. The U.N. runs on the proposition that each nation is sovereign and independent, and that other nations shouldn't have the right to meddle with their government. It's we, ourselves, the U.S.A., which has embarked on a program of "regime change" first Afghanistan, then Iraq, and...

Well, now our government is using the same threatening rhetoric about Syria they were using about Iraq two months ago... After that, North Korea? Iran? There's talk of Cuba... All those who want to pray for the safety of our troops had better buy some knee protectors.

Mr. Anderson wants us to "look at who supplied Mr. Hussein with his weapons of

mass destruction." Yes, let's look, because it certainly wasn't the U.N. It was Ronald Reagan whose covert CIA operations brought Saddam to power, and who then armed him to the teeth (and turned a blind eye when Saddam put his nice new poison gas to use.) I'm sorry if this is an uncomfortable fact for "patriots" who want to believe we are a nation of saints, but there it is.

Of all the reasons the U.N. should work alongside the U.S.A. in the reconstruction of Iraq, perhaps the strongest is this: the rest of the world remembers Reagan arming Saddam, the rest of the world is deeply suspicious of our motives right now, and a joint U.S.-U.N. team would demonstrate for all to see that the U.S.A. is truly committed to the welfare of Iraq, and not just to lining our own pockets or setting up an Iraqi puppet regime. (By the way, a joint team would have lots of nations

in it, not just France and Russia.) Lastly, when tensions mount, as they surely will, the presence of an international team will mean that demagogues won't be able to whip up violence against the U.S.A. so easily.

Of course, if our main purpose in Iraq is really to help ourselves to their oil and award fat contracts to U.S. companies, then of course we should go it alone -- the fewer the merrier! -- and hang the consequences. It's only a pity that when the violence comes, our greedy corporation bosses won't suffer; it's our civilians who will be hurt, as well as our troops who will just be doing their duty.

As a veteran, Mr. Anderson, are you sure you'd be happy explaining to even one American mother why her son or daughter was sacrificed for the sake of corporate profits?

Cathy Lester  
Grayling

## Yes, there is another Grayling Elementary

To the editor,  
I know that things are real sketchy right now as far as the educational future of the state and our community, but it is important that we understand what our leaders right here are telling us and not get completely carried away into the statistics that we read.

Gossip and rumors will cause nothing but paranoia and anxiety. For example, last week there was a story in the *Detroit Free Press* that included a list of 216 schools that were failing and were going to be sanctioned. On this list it stated Grayling Elementary as one of the four-year failing

schools. I heard on three different occasions from different people that it was sad that our elementary school was listed in the *Free Press* as one of the failing schools. This is just not true. What you should know if you didn't already is that there are two Grayling Elementary Schools in the state. One is right here in Crawford County, the other is in Detroit.

The four-year failing school is in Detroit, not here in Crawford County.

That does not mean that we don't have to keep our noses to the grindstone and work hard at making our district the best we

can, but we are not a failing school.

I hope this clears up any confusion that anyone might have had when reading the *Free Press* last week. I know it gave me a start when I saw the name of our school there, but I also knew there had to be some reasonable explanation because our leadership has been very forthcoming about everything involving the "No Child Left Behind" program. Sure enough, there was a reasonable explanation, it simply isn't the same school.

Chad Patterson  
Grayling

## Why is Canada 'trashing' us?

To the editor,  
Canadian trash in our landfill! Is this possibly true what I read in Sunday's paper? Somebody please give me the answer and let's see that it is stopped.

With all of the millions of acres of empty land in Canada and we have to put up with it in Michigan?

Fay Bovee  
Grayling

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# BRIEFS

## GMS 7th graders to host recycling day

In conjunction with Earth Day 2003, Grayling Middle School 7th grade Science Classes will host a Recycling Day at the Grayling City Park, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Thursday, April 24. The following items will be accepted: newspapers, magazines, phone books, office paper, junk mail, clean cardboard, clean pizza boxes, plastic beverage containers, plastic detergent jugs, milk jugs, and clean styrofoam. For more information, call the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at (989) 348-2921.

## KCC hosts Young Writers' Workshop

On Friday, April 25, author Gerry LaFemina will conduct a workshop/writing exercise for area high school students at Kirtland Community College, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be served. Area students and teachers interested in attending should phone (989) 275-5000, ext. 220 for more information. For more information, visit online at <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/cburn/series.htm>.

## Eagles Auxiliary to hold election

The Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465 will hold its election of officers on Thursday, May 1 at the Aerie. Hours for voting will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. All members are encouraged to come and vote.

## Men's golf leagues meet April 26

Grayling Country Club Tuesday and Wednesday Men's League players are asked to attend a meeting on Saturday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Information on the 2003 season will be discussed.

## Church to host Swiss Steak Dinner

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host a Swiss Steak Dinner on Thursday, April 24, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$7 per person.

## Lovells hosts Historic Trout Opener

The Lovells Township Historical Society will open the first exhibit at their new log museum on the first weekend of the 2003 regular trout season, April 26-27 -- the First Annual Lovells Historic Trout Opener, an exhibit of the history of trout fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River. There will be related displays and demonstrations by fly tyers. Vintage bamboo fly casting contests (for accuracy, not distance), an historic river guide camp (where visitors can get a free bowl of chili and a cup of coffee), and fly fishing videos will also be featured. Gary Tanner, Executive Director of the American Museum of Fly Fishing in Manchester, NH, will talk about preserving trout fishing history at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Lovells Township Hall. All events are free and open to the public. The new log museum is located on the township hall grounds at 8405 Twin Bridge Road.

## Free boating safety class offered

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be conducting a complimentary Boating Safety School on Saturday, April 26 at the Sheriff's Office, 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 1:30 p.m. Participants should be at least 12 years of age. A lunch break will be held and Sheriff Kirk Wakefield suggests all participants bring a bag lunch and a drink. The class is limited to the first 40 participants. Register by calling the Sheriff's Office at (989) 344-3213.

## Dinner to raise money for new roof

St. Francis Episcopal Church, on M-72 West in Grayling, will hold an all-you-can-eat Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser to help cover the expense of a new roof. The dinner will be held at the church on Saturday, April 26, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meal includes salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink. Cost is a donation of \$5 per person.

## COA to host Lasagna Dinner

The Crawford County Commission on Aging Senior Center, located at 308 Lawndale Street in Grayling, will host a Lasagna Dinner with all the trimmings on Friday, April 25, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., to raise funds for Meals on Wheels. Everyone is welcome.

## Lions Club's White Cane Drive begins

The Grayling Lions Club will be holding its White Cane Drive, this Friday and Saturday, April 25-26.

Local members of the Lions Club will be out and about in Grayling asking for donations to help cover the expenses of the club's service projects aimed at providing help for visually impaired, blind, and hearing impaired individuals.

A traditional White Cane Pin will be issued to each person who makes a donation.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club Week ending April 20 - \$25 Winner of \$100 for Week 11 each: Nancy Schultz, Denny (April 18) is Beth Smith of Henning, George Wolfe, Tina Reese, Bassett, Bob Annis.

## Paperback rack donated

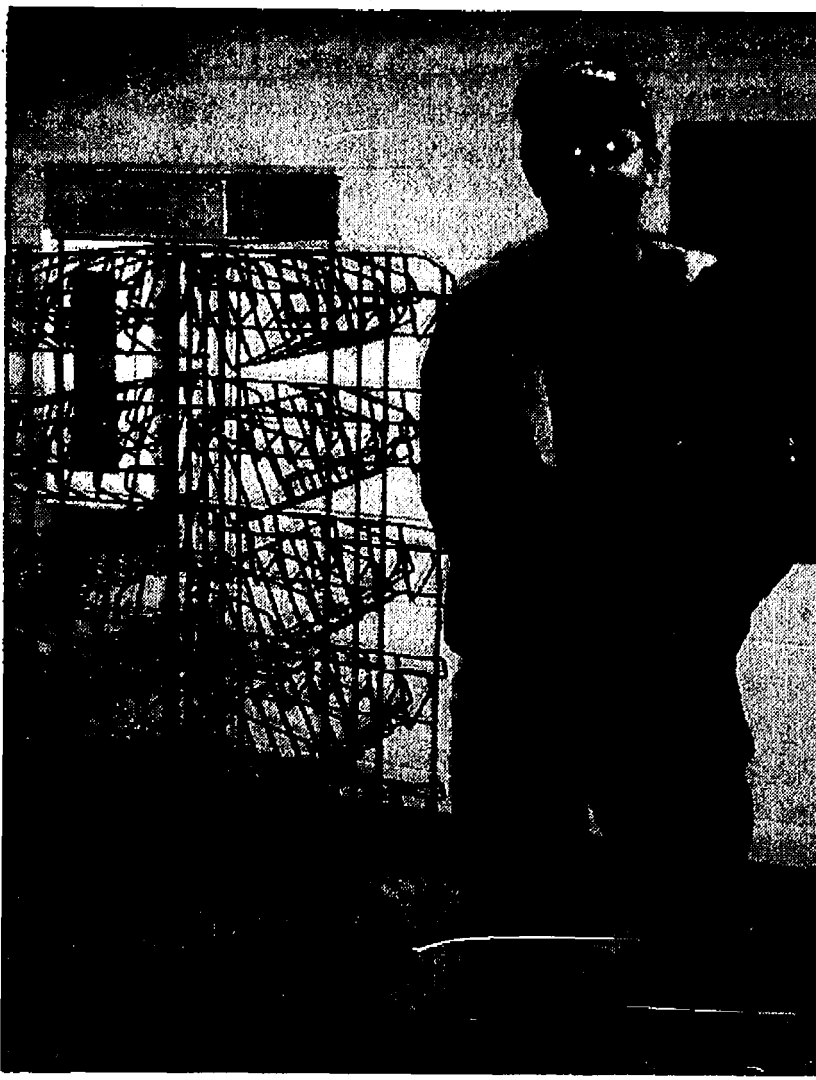


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Tony Thomson, of Grayling, recently donated this paperback book rack which was once a fixture at Dawson's (now Stevens Family Circle) and is a piece of Grayling's past. Many paperback books are donated to the library which can be borrowed and carry no late fees.

## Native plant landscaping, gardening workshop offered

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District will offer a workshop Friday, May 16 titled "Native Plant Landscaping and Gardening Workshop."

This very informative workshop on using plants of the Jack Pine Region will be held in conjunction with the Kirtland Warbler Festival at the Continuing Education Center of Kirtland Community College, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. that day.

Presentations planned:

- "Stalking the Globally Rare Pine Barrens Ecosystem in Northern Michigan," by Phyllis Higman, of the Michigan Natural Features Inventory.

- "USDA NRCS Plant Materials Program -- Conservation Plants and Plant Technology," by Dave Burgdorf, of the Rose Lake Plant Materials Center.

- "Erosion Control for Lakefront Property Owners," by

Jeff Silagy, of the Michigan Department of Water Quality.

- "Going Native in the Jack Pine," by Elaine Chittenden, of the W.J. Beal Botanical Garden, Michigan State University.

- "Non-Chemical Pest Control for Gardens," by Russ Kidd, Michigan State University Extension.

- "Master Gardener Certification Program," by Russ Kidd.

Advance registration is required by May 9 and fee includes lunch, refreshments and workshop material.

For further information and a reservation form, contact the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231; fax (989) 275-3170; by e-mail to [barb-stauffer@mi.nacnet.org](mailto:barb-stauffer@mi.nacnet.org); or stop by the District's office at 606 Lake Street in the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

## Severe weather safety class offered at library

Crawford County Emergency Management and the National Weather Service has teamed up to present a Severe Weather Safety Class next week.

The class will teach participants how to identify cloud formations, how severe storms are formed, and how to report severe weather.

The Severe Weather Safety class will be presented free of charge on Tuesday, April 29, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street in Grayling. Everyone is welcome to attend and no registration is needed.

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## FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

### GROWTH PLATE INJURIES VS. SPRAINS

Growth plates are structures on the ends of a child's bones that are designed to allow bones to grow to adult size. The plates typically close naturally by early adolescence. If an injury occurs and is not treated before the growth plate closes, the bone's growth may become compromised, leading to deformities. Children commonly suffer growth plate injuries and sprains from falls, sports, and other accidents. Because the symptoms of both injuries are similar and X-rays often fail to reveal growth plate fractures, it is important to rule out growth plate injuries during a medical consultation. Growth plate injuries are treated with immobilization and/or protection with a cast and/or surgery in the case of severe misalignment of the plate.

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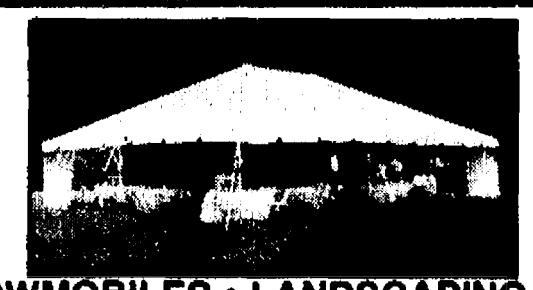
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# The Bible Speaks

## Anti-War Roots

While driving through Tennessee on March 24th, I heard Nashville talk-show host Phil Valentine alleging that the local anti-war movement is identified with the Communist Party USA. He stated that they shared the same building, with the same telephone number, and the same address. I listened as a hostile caller questioned his ethics and accused him of trying to prove guilt by association. So Phil posted on the Internet the website of The Nashville Peace & Justice Center to make the facts more available. (You may do as I did and personally check out this information at <http://www.philvalentine.com/NashvillePeaceJusticeCenter.htm>)

Phil informed listeners that the United Methodist Church, the Communist Party USA, and the Democratic Socialists of America were all member organizations of the Nashville Peace and Justice Center (NPJC). The United Methodist Church even owns the building where the NPJC resides. Mike Ripski, the pastor of the 2,000-member Hendersonville First United Methodist Church, a nearby congregation made a public statement saying he is not bothered by their affiliation.

In defending their association, Ripski said, "At one point, these groups [that make up the NPJC] came together because there was agreement on an issue that seemed

to make sense working together on," he says. "That doesn't mean that the group will always agree on every issue that comes up." Kipski added, "Sometimes it's helpful to be a part of groups and in context!" Ripski continued, "We're not going to all think alike because our differences of perspective and our differences of belief keep us all on our toes, and provide a kind of check on what otherwise might become arrogance and self-righteous pride."

Phil also reported that, "The Workers World Party, a self-proclaimed 'Marxist-Leninist' organization staged the anti-war protests in Washington, San Francisco and elsewhere. The Nashville Peace & Justice Center is an affiliate of National Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC). Most of these liberals also support the National and World Council of Churches."

You remember during the Vietnam conflict when we wrote several articles exposing many of the antiwar groups for collecting millions of dollars in American churches and sending it to support communist guerilla warfare in the name of Liberation Theology. Now we are not claiming that all war protestors are Communists, Socialists, or Marxists. But neither do all war protestors have a past reputation of being meek and humble pacifists.

Jesus said in Matthew 7:17,18: "Even so every good tree bringeth

forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. 18A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit." So Jesus said in Matthew 7:20: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." Trace their money, their friends, and their fellowship to examine their fruit. Then you can know for yourself if they have been growing on the same tree and have been nourished by the same root system. Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## Kids celebrate spring break



Jonah Mead, Sam Wagner and Kaelan O'Toole enjoy the 'boys club' tent during Camping Day.

While the weather outside was frightful, the staff and children at Crawford-AuSable Day Care and Preschool got into the spirit of spring break by having theme days during the week that Crawford AuSable School District was on spring break.

On April 1, the children had

pajama day and watched movies and ate popcorn in their pjs.

Wednesday brought Camping Day and the children dressed for a campout and played in the tents. They sat in the light of a glowing pretend fire and listened to campfire stories and enjoyed a special lunch with a hot dog roast

and S'mores.

Thursday brought snow outside and Beach Day inside. The kids dressed in beach attire and the day care staff built indoor sandboxes, water tables and beach games. The kids also enjoyed a pizza lunch provided by a day care mom.

## Speaker to discuss Bible prophecy

Rev. Richard Madison, international speaker on Bible prophecy, will be ministering at the Burning Bush Tabernacle beginning on Sunday, April 27.

Services on Sunday will be held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and will continue throughout the

week nightly at 7 p.m., including Saturday, May 3. On Sunday, May 4, Rev. Madison will be concluding his meetings at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend what Burning Bush's Pastor Petrie

describes as "life-changing" services.

Following the first Sunday morning meeting, April 27, dinner will be served for all who attend.

For more information, call Pastor Petrie at (989) 348-1278.



It's spring! Burly bears sleepily emerge from dark winter dens. Tulip and daffodil bulbs sprout from chilly beds to show their heads in the lovely light of springtime. Birds will lay their young; soon they, too, will open newborn eyes to this vibrant environment. The earth awakens once more!

"The Lord is God, and He has given us light...O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!" (Ps.118:27-29)

Did you keep resolutions in January and celebrate love in February? If you missed your chance, spring is a most appropriate

## Into The Light

time to emerge from whatever darkness may have been clouding your happiness and to celebrate the newness of life.

Wouldn't it be even more glorious if every day could feel like the first day of spring? It can, you know. We read in Isaiah 2:5... "O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord." That "light" is the perpetual glow you carry in your heart no matter what the season when you come to know God as your Heavenly Father. Won't you visit His House and learn how to live in the warm light of God's mercy each day of the year?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Romans 5:1-11	Romans 5:12-21	Romans 6:1-14	Romans 6:15-23	Romans 7:1-13	Romans 7:14-25	Romans 15:1-13

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Sunday School.....10:30 am

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Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School-  
Sept. - May  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School.....11 am  
(Childcare Available during 11:00 service)  
Bible Study (Wed).....10:30 am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor Jeff Arthur  
Phone 989-275-1061  
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Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Church Service  
Saturday.....9:30 am  
Sabbath School  
Saturday.....10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting  
Tuesday.....7 pm

**Lovells Chapel**  
Pastor Rev. Gary Hopp  
Sunday School.....10 am  
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Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

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Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

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3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth  
Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

**The Church of Christ**  
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Sunday  
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

**The Church of Jesus Christ**  
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Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
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**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service &  
Children's Church.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting.....9:45 am  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman  
710 Spruce Street  
348-5224  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
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Church School.....11 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

**Friendship Church**  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....10 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic**  
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Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor  
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Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm  
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am  
Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study  
(Sundays).....9:15 am  
Daily Masses.....11 am  
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
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Office 348-5850  
Sunday Holy  
Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

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Wednesday.....7 pm  
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E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

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Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
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Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
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**Church of Christ**  
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Sunday Classes.....10 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
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Wednesday  
Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St.  
348-5325  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday  
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Colby  
705 Madsen St. • Grayling  
348-2557  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
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Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer  
Wednesday.....7 pm

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Wed. Morning Bible Study.....9:30 am  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

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## Grayling Middle School students perform at solo and ensemble festival

The Grayling Middle School seventh and eighth grade band members participated in the Michigan Schools Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) District 2 Junior High Solo and Ensemble Festival held at Kalkaska Middle School on April 12.

The students performed in a variety of events from solos and duets to a percussion ensemble, brass quintet and clarinet choir.

According to Matt Bishop,

Associate Director of Bands in the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) the students received many positive comments from their adjudicators and gained valuable experience. "We are extremely proud of all of those students that participated this year in Solo and Ensemble Festival," he said.

Almost 80 percent of all seventh and eighth grade band members participated this year in the festival. These students were

required to meet with their directors and accompanist, Jill Scarzo, (if required by their music) several times. "This is a great teaching tool because it allows students to end up taking private lessons for a good part of the year in order to attain the success that we all desire," said David Gott, Director of Bands in the CASD. He added that most students were able to attain a good level of success when they worked hard over a prolonged

period of time. He noted that all students improved because of all the extra practice needed for this event.

The final result from the festival resulted in 21 ratings of I, 11 ratings of II, two ratings of III and 4 events requested comments only and did not receive a rating. Gott said that rating of I or II is quite good and receiving the comments of others knowledgeable in the field is extremely important.



Eighth graders who participated in the solo and ensemble festival are (back row, left to right) Patricia Thomson, Adrianna Voelker, Kelly Lange, Erica Moggo, Kattie Murray, Jessica Bobenmoyer, Brittney Stoddard, Ashley Jurkovich, Dennis Nelson, Jon Kane, Nick Fitzpatrick. Middle row: Robert Ramaswamy, Monica Leslie, Colleen Fleishmann, Alex Mosel, Angie Martella, Megan Burrick. Front Row: Charles Hughes, Nicholas Parkinson, Ryan Seewald, James Hilbrecht.



The seventh graders who participated in the solo and ensemble festival are: (back row, left to right) Ethan Lynch, Nathan Parens, Andrew Currison, Brandon McMahon, Eva Clark, Nathan Pickell, Joshua Bofysil, Nicole Hedden, Richard McNamara, Reid Holzbauer. Middle row: Larissa Hohl, Julie Teal, James Thao, Christopher Wells, Lacey Hollingsworth, Cassandra Pizzi, Annie Melroy, Andria Howe, Christopher Petrie, Fawn Filley, Jessica Brandt. Front row: Kristina Weiso, Renee Clair, Rachel Ward, Kyle Halstead, Storm Shriver, Kilah Vanderstelt, Jamie Denno, Laura Cross.

## SARS KO's trips to China

► Public invited on educational excursions to places of Russia

While planned student exchanges and faculty trips to China have been canceled due to the outbreak of the SARS disease, two other excursions to Russia have been opened to the public, said Kirtland's Tatyana Puchkova, chairman of the Michigan Global Awareness Consortium.

The MGAC had hoped to send one Kirtland student to participate in a 10-day exchange trip to

Beijing. It also had planned to send a faculty group for a 10-day educational visit to the Chinese city. Both trips were scheduled for late May.

But the MGAC has opened to the public the opportunity to visit Moscow and St. Petersburg in a 13-day trip (dates to be determined) that costs just \$2,400 per person. That includes airfare, all meals, lodging, entrance fees, transportation and tours, guides and interpreters and tickets to cultural events like ballet, folk dance and all other entertainment.

The consortium also is planning an excursion to Russia's Lake Baikal, one of the most

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## OBITUARIES

**Lee Boyd Jenkins**  
*Aug. 11, 1928-April 18, 2003*  
Lee Boyd Jenkins, age 74, of Grayling, died Friday, April 18 at Grayling Nursing Centre. He was born on August 11, 1928 in Waverly, Kentucky to Roy Lee and Mary Belle (Willet) Jenkins.

Mr. Jenkins was married to Alberta Mae (Stickley) on February 12, 1948 in Kentucky.

Mr. Jenkins lived in Warren and moved to Grayling in 1989. He was an outdoorsman who loved to deer hunt with a gun and a bow. He was also a carpenter who enjoyed doing woodcrafting projects. He worked for Brigg's Beauty Ware from 1948 to 1974, and then worked for Warren School System from 1974 to 1988, until he retired.

He is survived by his wife, Alberta; two daughters, Sherry (Sabatino) Pozzi of Troy and Ella (Mike) Santamore of Florida; three sons, Tom Jenkins of Florida, Don (Maria) Jenkins of California and Timothy (Kathleen) Jenkins of Macomb Township; ten grandchildren, Heather, Diana, Sam, Howard, Amy, Jennifer, Kelly, Janel, Alisa, Cindy; six great-grandchildren, Cory, Lisa, Amanda, Walter Jr., Brody, Zackery; one sister, Bobbie Lou (Eddie) Barnes of Florida; and one brother, Ray (Sally) Jenkins of Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four sisters, Clare Givens, Mattie Moore, Barb Degan, Ann Higgs; one brother, Tom Jenkins; and one son, Roy Jenkins who died on August 26, 1988.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, April 26 at 11 a.m. at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Reverend Jeffrey Jagers will officiate.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Frank H. Nichols**  
*Aug. 30, 1939 - April 4, 2003*  
Frank H. Nichols, age 63, of Stockbridge and formerly of Grayling, died April 4 at his home. He was born on August 30, 1939 in Detroit, to Frank J. and Mary (Dorsey) Nichols.

Frank lived in Grayling from 1969 to 1983. He was employed at the Brighton Correctional Facility for the past 16 years. He also raised and trained dogs for the Leader Dog program; his dogs always passed the test. Frank also enjoyed snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, camping and feeding the birds and deer.

He is survived by his four children, Frank W. Nichols of Oklahoma City, OK; Sandra Marie Ploetz of Ray, and Dean J. and Michael G. Nichols both of Macomb; four grandchildren; one brother, Donald Nichols of Belleville; one sister, Rose Marie Owens of Grayling; and special friend Barbara Lewis of Jackson.

The family received friends and relatives on Tuesday, April 8. No other service or visitation will be held.

When you see it snow or watch a bird fly or see deer, remember Frank.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Leader Dog for the Blind program, Rochester.

Arrangements by Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home, 424 E. Main Street, Stockbridge, MI 49285.

**James A. Pelton**  
*April 18, 2003*  
James A. Pelton, age 64, of Roscommon, died April 18.

Funeral services were held on April 21 at Sorenson Funeral Home.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Barbara L. Olsen**  
*February 1, 2003*  
Barbara L. Olsen, age 71, of Rochester Hills, died February 1.

Mrs. Olsen spent her summers in Grayling, and in the past years, she volunteered at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

She was the wife of the late Walter; loving mother of Janis (Tom) Joyce, Michael (Beth) Olsen, Nancy (Keith) Anderson, Scott (Julie) Olsen and Mary (Greg) Wiedbusch. She was the proud grandmother of ten grandchildren who loved visiting grandma at the cottage.

Memorials can be directed to Hospice of Michigan.

Services were held in Rochester Hills. Burial was in Royal Oak.

**Clifford Guy Henderlong**  
*Jan. 27, 1936 - April 11, 2003*  
Clifford Guy Henderlong, age 67, of Grayling, died April 11, 2003. He was born on January 27, 1936 in Detroit.

Mr. Henderlong was the dear father of Kris Anne and son-in-law, Scott Bly. He was the grandfather of Justin, Sara and Lauren; beloved brother of Lawrence and sister, Geraldine.

Burial Service will be held on Friday, May 9 at 11 a.m. at Oakwood Cemetery, Lyon Township, Higgins Lake.

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## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during April 23 - 29 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: April 23 - 24; April 29.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek: April 25 - 29.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Occasionally, the Post Commander without additional notice to the public may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371.

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 90 complaints the week of April 14-20:

One EMS response, nine traffic accidents, 13 non-traffic accidents, one traffic public safety appearance, two motor vehicle inspections, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, five suspicious situations, two lost and found property, 11 general non-criminal, one trees/brush/grass fire, two false alarm activations;  
One assault/intimidation/stalking, one burglary/home invasion, two larceny, one stolen property, six damage to property, one possession of marijuana, one family offense/abuse/neglect, 10 public peace/disorderly, one operating under the influence of alcohol, six health and safety, three conservation, one vagrancy, two miscellaneous criminal offense, three driving violations/DWLS, etc.

For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following 56 complaints during the period from April 13 - April 20:

Six larceny, five assist other departments, five juveniles, one personal property accident, one felony arrest, one motorist assist;

Two property damage, three alarms, eight suspicious situations, two disturbing the peace, one liquor violation, one drunk driving;

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The Grayling High School baseball team conducted a fundraiser – a Smelt and Chicken Dinner Benefit – on April 9 at the Northern Cafe. The event helped the squad raise money – over \$800 – that will help cover costs associated with an upcoming summer baseball camp at Central Michigan University and the team's food expenses throughout the 2003 baseball season. Pictured are: GHS baseball coach Robert Gorski and Clyde Halleaz, Donna Halleaz, and Sharon Johnson of Northern Cafe. Burger King, Knights of Columbus, and Glen's also made donations. Craig Stewart coordinated the event, and Jim Tobin, Craig Stewart, Jack Stewart, Mandy Czapek, Steve Czapek, and Mr. Starks served as cooks. GHS players, under the direction of Johnson, served as waiters for the evening. Coach Gorski said the event was a "huge success."

## DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for May. Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

Immunization clinics: May 7 and 21.

Family planning: May 6 and 20.

Optional/confidential HIV/AIDS testing: Call for

appointment.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: May 8-9-13-14-19-21-22 and 29.

Breast and cervical cancer screening: May 13 and 27. Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This program is available to women ages 40-64, who have limited or no health

insurance.

Other services are available; call (989)348-7800 for appointment.

Other health services include: Maternal/Infant support - Families Matter, Environmental Health (well and septic permits, food service, water testing, etc.), HIV/AIDS testing, OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard

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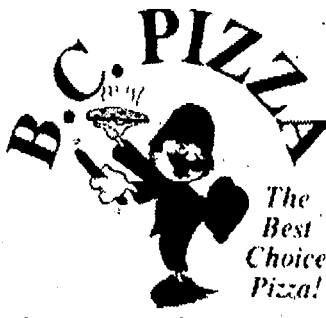
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The Crawford County United Way Executive Board recently honored longtime board member, Jeanette Kitchen (right), for her many years of service and dedication to the organization. Kitchen became active in the local United Way in 1987. A plaque commemorating the occasion was presented to Kitchen by Crawford's United Way president, Nancy Hunt (left).

## MILITARY NEWS

**Air Force Staff Sergeant Timothy M. Mead** has arrived for duty at Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City, Florida. Mead is a tactical aircraft maintenance craftsman assigned to the 83rd Fighter Weapons Squadron. The staff sergeant is a 1993 graduate of Grayling High School. He is the son of Patty S. and Robert A. Mead of Grayling.

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## Local bank appoints new treasury management officer

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Linda P. McGee

"We are very fortunate to have someone with Linda's professionalism, talent, commitment, integrity and experience as part of our business banking team. Linda brings a very successful background to her new job that will enhance the value of every client's relationship that she encounters," said Gary Glaza president of Citizens Bank's northern region.

McGee has spent over 20 years in marketing, public relations and communications, 15 spent with Citizens Bank-Saginaw. From 1985 to 1989 she was Director of Public Relations for the bank's mid-Michigan region, from 1989-1992 the Director of Corporate Marketing and most recently served as the Director of Marketing and Public Relations for the mid-Michigan region from 1992-2000. She has rejoined Citizens Bank after recently

moving back to Michigan from Hot Springs, Arkansas.

She is the recipient of the Women of Distinction Award from the Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council, received a Proclamation from the City of Saginaw and was also awarded the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce prestigious President's Award.

McGee is an active member of her community. She previously served as a Steering Committee Member and Vice Chairman of TriSource (Tri-County Business Expo), she is a past member of the Saginaw Chamber of Commerce Marketing, Image and Research Committee, has served on several committees for the Leadership Saginaw Alumni and was a past Chairman and Board Member of the Downtown Saginaw Association.

McGee received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Arkansas State University and attended the School of Bank Marketing at the University of Colorado. She is a resident of Saginaw.

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# 83RD DISTRICT COURT

## Sentencings for March 2003

### Hon. John G. Hunter

Raymond William Lewis, age 25 of Fairview - OUIL/per se; \$1,480 fines/costs or 93 days in jail, placed on 366 days probation.

Amber Lynn Apperson, age 30 of Frederic - Domestic Violence; \$910 fines/costs or 91 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Richard Joseph Roshy, age 17 of Grayling - Aggravated Assault; \$1,230 fines/costs or 225 days in jail, \$1,021.50 restitution, 120 days in jail, placed on 731 days probation.

Anthony David LaChance, age 18 of Grayling - Malicious destruction of a building - less than \$200; \$810 fines/costs or 78 days in jail, 45 days in jail with credit for 30 days served, placed on 180 days probation.

Angela Marie Morgan, age 32 of Mio - Non-sufficient funds check under \$100; \$160 fines/costs or 18 days in jail, \$20 restitution.

Kalvin Smith Jr., age 25 of Grayling - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

April Ann McKee, age 17 of Higgins Lake - Minor purchase/possess/consume alcohol, disturbance of the peace, Youth Tobacco Act violation; \$345 fines/costs or 34 days in jail.

Brian Patrick Wolfe, age 23 of Warren - Hunt within safety zone of 150 yards, Attempt - Illegal deer/bear/turkey; \$940 fines/costs or 93 days in jail.

Cassandra Jane Woodworth, age 18 of Eaton Rapids - No proof of insurance; \$120 fines/costs.

Jamie Cole Gilliam, age 31 of Roscommon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$670 fines/costs or 67 days in jail, placed on 122 days probation.

Trevor Thomas Jones, age 52 of Roscommon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$360 fines/costs or 36 days in jail.

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Steven Michael Sarkozi, age 48 of Grayling - OUIL/per se; \$860 fines/costs or 86 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Eric Wayne West, age 29 of Houghton Lake - Operate without security, License plates expired; \$370 fines/costs or 37 days in jail.

Michael John Demoinis Jr., age 20 of Frederic - Operate without security; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

Kenneth William Geyer, age 57 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Wayne Lee McCranie, age 45 of Newport - Controlled Substance Possession of Marijuana, License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$1,210 fines/costs or 121 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Joshua Allen Spencer, age 17 of Frederic - Retail Fraud Third Degree, Minor purchase/possess/consume; \$440 fines/costs, 60 days in jail, placed on 180 days probation.

James Duncan Gorman, age 42 of Fife Lake - OUIL/per se; \$910 fines/costs or 91 days in jail, five days in jail with credit for one day served, placed on 184 days probation.

Kathleen Marie Miller, age 46 of Roscommon - Impaired driving; \$750 fines/costs or 75 days in jail.

Daniel L. Latesky Jr., age 28 of Grayling - Operate without security, improper use of a license plate, no valid license in possession; \$600 fines/costs or 60 days in jail.

Mary Lynn Smith, age 29 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Anthony Thomas Thorton, age 24 of Grayling - Domestic Violence; \$830 fines/costs or 83 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Nicole Suzanne Myers, age 25 of Grayling - Operate without security; \$310 fines/costs or 31 days in jail.

James Westley Jacobs, age 34 of Montrose - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$160 fines/costs or 16 days in jail.

Nadine Darlene Reynolds, age 38 of Grayling - Attempt to resist/obstruct an officer; \$630 fines/costs or 63 days in jail.

Joseph Lewis Book, age 29 of Grayling - Operate without security, drove while unlicensed/ license not valid, license plates, expired; \$450 fines/costs or 45 days in jail.

Terra Dawn Stephan, age 27 of Grayling - Two counts of Malicious Destruction of Personal Property over \$200 and under \$1,000; \$420 fines/costs or 42 days in jail.

Chad Michael Nestor, age 21 of Napoleon - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$410 fines/costs or 41 days in jail, placed on 122 days probation.

Thomas Charles Caverly, age 41 of Waterford - Snowmobile - operate while license suspended/revoked/denied; \$260 fines/costs.

Thomas Scott Edwards, age 38 of Pontiac - Snowmobile - operate while license suspended/revoked/denied; \$260 fines/costs.

Todd Lee Crickon, age 33 of Grayling - License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$410 fines/costs or 41 days in jail.

Christopher Mark Pollington, age 17 of Grayling - Assault/Assault & Battery; six days in jail with credit for six days served.

Hon. Francis L. Walsh

Timothy Scott Page, age 23 of Frederic - False report of a

misdeemeanor; \$160 fines/costs or 14 days in jail.

Tina Marie Krohn, age 19 of Roscommon - Drove while unlicensed/license not valid, registration - fail to transfer, \$175 fines/costs.

Frank Allen Krajenka, age 38 of Grayling - License plates expired, no proof of insurance; \$195 fines/costs.

Virgil Kenneth Farner, age 20 of Roscommon - OUIL/per se; \$860 fines/costs or 60 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

Stephen Pepsin, age 51 of Grayling - Impaired driving; \$400 fines/costs or 40 days in jail.

Jessica Ann Weaver, age 22 of Frederic - License plates expired, no proof of insurance; \$175 fines/costs.

Peter Toma, age 21 of Dearborn - Operate without security, License suspended/revoked - allowed a suspended person to operate; \$570 fines/costs or 30 days in jail.

Lorne Shane Toth, age 37 of Beaverton - Crawford County Snowmobile Ordinance violation; \$160 fines/costs.

Anthony Lee O'Dell, age 17 of Grayling - Youth Tobacco Act Violation; \$75 fines/costs or seven days in jail.

Thomas James Lozon, age 34 of Grayling - Aggravated Assault; 365 days in jail with credit for 365 days served, restitution to be determined, placed on 24 months probation.

Jeffrey John Hoesli, age 21 of Grayling - Impaired driving, Improper use of license plate; \$515 fines/costs or 51 days in jail, placed on 184 days probation.

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Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
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#### LOVELLS

Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
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#### M-72 EAST

Leaves Grayling	6:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	7:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	1:30 p.m.
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Leaves Grayling	11:00 a.m.
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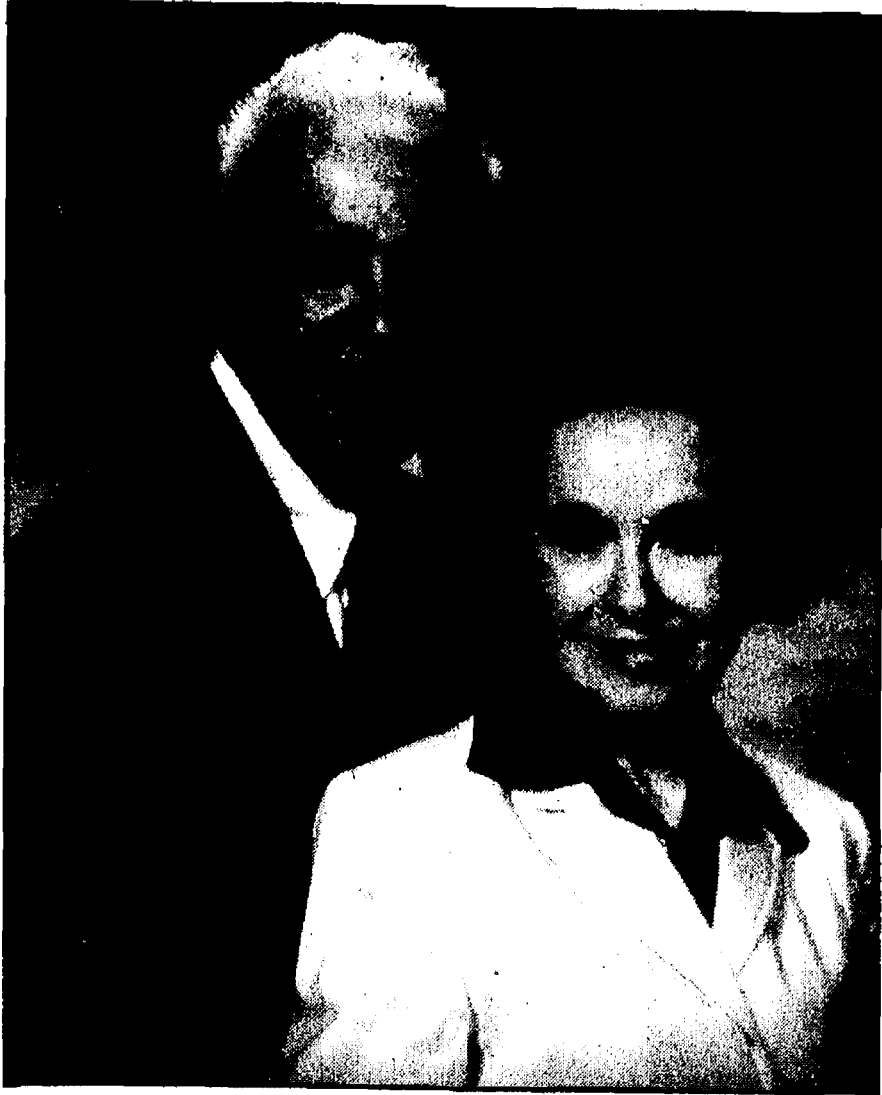
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## Paulsens celebrate 50 years



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Paulsen

Bob and Lee Paulsen will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on April 26 at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Lori and Gary Werner, in Brunswick, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Paulsen currently live in Margrethe Manor on Danish Landing Road. Their love story began when they met at the Danish Landing itself on Lake Margrethe in August of 1952.

Bob had arranged to rent a cottage for an officer friend and his family so they could enjoy the lake while the officer and Bob attended to their duties while training as National Guardsmen.

The officer and his wife had also invited two young ladies who worked with the officer to spend a week at the lake with their family.

One of the ladies was already married and her husband was in Korea. The officer planned on Bob escorting the other young lady, who turned out to be Lee, to the Officers' Ball that was to be held that weekend.

Bob was not really big on the idea of a blind date, until he met Lee. It turned out that Bob couldn't attend the Officers' Ball

since, at the time, he was a Non-Commissioned Officer. However, Bob did manage to spend a good deal of time at the cottage where Lee was staying. It didn't take him long to realize that he wanted to see a lot more of the beautiful, young woman... which he did.

Well, they met in August, were engaged in November, and were married the following April, in 1953.

The Paulsens have four children, Robert III, Michael, Lori, and Michelle. Their family has also grown even larger with the addition of six grandchildren.

In August of 1953, Lee became a very proud wife when Bob won the coveted Stewart Medal for being the most outstanding soldier in his division. Bob went on to become a Commissioned Officer, and by the time he left the service in the early 1960s due to the demands of his civilian job, he had achieved the rank of Captain.

Neither Bob nor Lee can believe that after 50 years of marriage and five homes, they have ended up approximately one-half mile from where they first met in August 1952.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Nova Anderson

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24 - Spaghetti/Stuffed Steak; Blood Pressures taken at 11 a.m.; Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

25 - Sweet and Sour Pork/Dinner; Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.; 80 Cent Rummy 12 noon Beaver Creek Satellite

28 - Breaded Fish/Chicken and Rice; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m.; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

29 - Chicken Ala King/Ham; Housing Tenant Council at 10

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Sally Riggie and Cary Vajda were united in marriage on March 3 at the Sandals Resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

The bride is manager of volunteer services at Mid-Michigan Medical Center, Midland. The groom is assistant admissions counselor for Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

The mother of the bride is Wilma Seward of Hope. The groom's parents are Charles and Elizabeth Vajda of Grayling.

The couple will reside in Midland.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library

Floral Art Quilts Workshop with Debra Danko will be held Thursday, May 15, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. This workshop will feature "Oversized Flower Power." Participants must sign up in advance and the cost is \$10. At 7 p.m., "From Traditional Quilts to Fabric Gardens" lecture and slide show will be presented free of charge.

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In the slide presentation, she will share her inspiration from her love of gardens and present how beautiful floral images are reproduced giant size in fabric and thread. She will bring a trunk show with many colorful quilts. Traditional and contemporary quilters and non-quilters alike will enjoy it.

A Genealogy Meeting is planned for Friday, May 16 at 7 p.m. Stop in at the Devereaux Library to share your progress, ask questions, and add to your research.

African Drum and Dance with Kevin Collins will be presented Wednesday, May 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with assemblies in the schools, featuring learning and fun with audience involvement. At 4 p.m., African Drum and Dance will make a presentation at the library, also with audience participation, at no charge.

Collins is a respected percussionist who shares his love of African music through lively participatory performances. He will bring an impressive collection of traditional percussion instruments from Africa. Learn what a "DeJemba" is and

get a chance to play. Collins plays in bands and directs.

Story Hour continues on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. until the end of May. We'll be back with story hour at the Devereaux Library in the fall.

### Lovells Community Library

A book sale will be held on Saturday, May 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Many quality used books will be on sale to raise funds in support of the library.

For more information about library services and book availability throughout the Crawford County Library system, call (989) 348-9214.

### Frederic Community Library

The Houghton Lake Postal employees purchased *The Jester* and *The Bear in the Attic* audio books in memory of Lois Southwell.

Bradford Lake Neighbors purchased the book *Historic Cottages of Mackinac Island* and *A Long Way from Home* in memory of Stephen Rudeen.

The Frederic Library will hold its annual plant exchange on Saturday, May 10 at 11 a.m. Anyone who has perennials and would like to trade for a different variety should bring their plants to the library parking lot at that time. The exchange will only last for an hour and is open to all interested gardeners.

The Summer Reading Program is set for every Thursday at 4 p.m. in the month of June. Each week there will be a story and craft project. Join in the fun.

The Frederic Community Library is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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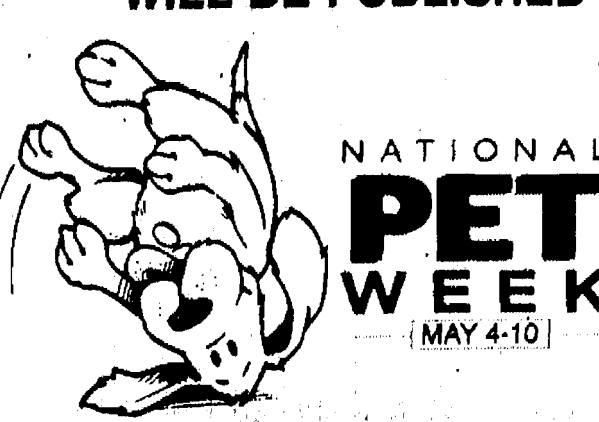
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## Prom royalty



Prom King Roger Alvarez, Queen Nicole Starr, Prince Andy Strohpaul and Princess Jamie Zelek enjoy a quiet moment at the Grayling High School prom held April 12. School officials were very pleased with the conduct of everyone at the dance. These sentiments were also echoed by the staff of the Houghton Lake Quality Inn who said that everyone associated with the prom, during both the decorating and the dance conducted themselves very well.

## In-school candy sales target of proposal

by Frank Kaminski  
Capital News Service

LANSING - Kids are getting bigger - but their empty calorie intake at school may soon get smaller.

The Legislature is considering a bill to prohibit the sale of chewing gum, candy and other non-nutritional food in public schools.

Rep. Frank Accavitti Jr., (D-Eastpointe) said he introduced the bill to combat Michigan's soaring rate of child obesity and

believes it will encourage children to eat healthy diets.

The proposal coincides with Holland Community Hospital's identification of child obesity as "an issue of concern in Holland," said Wendy Wigger, the hospital's public relations secretary. "Child obesity is very much on our radar screen right now."

The proposal would help steer children toward a healthier lifestyle. But for it to be effective, schools also need to teach children how to lead a healthy lifestyle, Wigger said.

The measure faces opposition from districts that draw revenue from vending machines, people who believe parents -- not the government -- should control what children eat and those who support the spirit of the bill but believe it's too restrictive.

Backers contend that it will help children develop healthy eating habits early in life, combat a range of health problems resulting from too much junk food, reduce burdens on health care resources and improve people's productivity throughout life.

It would extend to beverages consisting of at least 35 percent sugar or other sweetener, juice drinks with less than 100 percent

fruit or vegetable juice and all food and drinks with more than eight grams of fat per serving. Soft drinks couldn't be sold in elementary or middle schools. High schools could still sell soft drinks.

Under the proposal, school lunch programs would need to change their menus, most vending machines would be removed and school clubs could no longer hold candy fund-raisers on campus.

Accavitti said the change is necessary to protect the health of children. "We're sending our children to school to get a well-rounded education. Part of that is teaching them how to eat responsibly."

Tom Kochheiser, director of public relations for the Michigan Dental Association, said, "There has been an increase in tooth decay rate, which is partly attributable to the excess consumption of sugary foods. These kids need some healthy choices, whether that means banning these foods altogether or providing alternatives."

Co-sponsor John Pappageorge (R-Troy) said schools should ensure that students eat healthily. "The school system has a responsibility to do more than just teach the three Rs," he said.

Don Wotruba, director of legislative affairs for the Michigan Association of School Boards, said many schools use vending machine money to support athletics, national honor societies and other activities. If vending machines were banned, such programs may have to be eliminated.

The association has no formal position on the bill, leaving it up to local boards to decide whether to put vending machines in schools, Wotruba said.

Rep. Steve Tobocman (D-Detroit) acknowledged that revenues from non-nutritional foods have helped ease schools' financial troubles. But schools must not generate revenue at the expense of children's health, he said.

The bill would also make it more difficult for groups to hold fund-raisers, because many groups sell candy and other items that would be prohibited. But Accavitti said students could still raise money by selling sweets door to door or in shopping centers.

Accavitti said he would exempt high schools from the soft drink ban because students should have learned to make healthy beverage choices by then, Accavitti said.

The Michigan Soft Drink Association opposes the bill.

"The data show that the consumption of soft drinks in school is not a contributor to child obesity," said President William Lobenherz.

And even if soft drinks were no longer sold in schools, children would get them off campus or from home, Lobenherz said.

And June Bailey, president of the Michigan School Food Service Association, said the proposal would not effectively combat the problems junk food pose for children's health.

Rep. Brian Palmer, (R-Romeo), who chairs the Education Policy Committee, which will handle the bill, said, "I have a feeling school systems wouldn't really be positive on this. And kids wouldn't be positive on it."

Palmer said he is against the state regulating what foods can be sold in schools. "It's a personal choice on the part of parents and students. What's healthy and what's not? It's all relative. In mandating that, you need to be careful."

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	6	5	1	5		11	6	7	7

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## Vikings split on opening day

► Varsity team wins game one 6-5, falls to Bucks in game two 5-1

Grayling High School's varsity baseball team opened its 2003 season with a split, winning game one and losing game two of a doubleheader vs. the visiting Bucks of Roscommon last Monday in Grayling.

The Vikings won game one 6-5.

Ryan Davis, the winning pitcher, struck out nine batters and walked none in five innings of work. Davis, a sophomore, surrendered only two hits. Roy Czapiek pitched the final two innings for Grayling. He allowed one run on one hit, struck out two, and walked three.

At the plate, leading hitters for GHS were: Matt Strohpaul, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Greg Morrill, 2 for 3, 1 RBI; Joe Lange, 2 for 3; D.J. Metzger, 1 for 2 (2B), 1 RBI. Grayling had 10 hits in the game, in all.

"Ryan Davis threw a beautiful game, striking out nine and walking zero batters," said Coach Robert Gorski. "He also had an RBI single to help seal his first win of the season. Greg Morrill, a junior catching in his first varsity game, went 2 for 3 and threw out two Roscommon baserunners. Senior Matt Strohpaul went 2 for 3 with two RBI and junior Lee Schreiber contributed with one hit, two

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See "VIKINGS SPLIT..."



Photo by Caleb Casey

Ryan Davis pitches for the GHS varsity baseball team in its season opener vs. Roscommon last Monday. Davis, the winning pitcher in the match, struck out nine batters, walked none, and gave up only two hits in five innings.

## JV team wins, ties in opener

► Vikings win first game 11-6, second game ends in a 7-7 tie

In the team's season opener at Roscommon last Monday, the GHS junior varsity baseball squad defeated the host Bucks 11-6 in game one of a doubleheader, and the second game ended in a 7-7 tie.

In game one, Grayling posted a team batting average of .333 (8 for 24) and had 11 stolen bases.

Josh Hinkle was 3 for 4, including a double, with 3 runs scored and 2 RBI in the contest. Bobby Starks stole five bases in the match.

In the second game, GHS scored seven runs on six hits with six RBI. The team batted .353 as a group (6 for 17).

Matt Swope was 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored and T.J. Luke finished at 1 for 2 (with a double) and 2 RBI in game two.

"Eli VanNuck pitched very well in the first game. Matt Swope caught a strong game behind the plate and came in as a relief pitcher in both games,

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See "JV BASEBALL..."

## Trout season opens on Saturday

► April 26 marks beginning of trout, walleye, and pike fishing seasons

Fishing season for trout, walleye, and pike opens on Saturday, April 26. If water temperatures continue to rise and rain holds off this week, area fishermen could be in for a good opener.

"Ice should be off all the lakes in the area. Water temperatures are starting to warm up, they're at about 40 degrees," said Jack Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop. "The fish are starting to get active."

This week's weather will have a big impact on how successful fishermen are on opening day of trout season, Millikin said. If there is little rain, water levels should be reasonable, allowing easy access to area rivers, he said. Also, "lots of rain can wash food into the water" and fish would then be less likely to take bait, he said.

Fly hatches are also affected by the weather.

For walleye and pike, Millikin said some of the area's smaller lakes — like Manistee Lake — might open the best fishing early in the season. Houghton Lake, which is fairly shallow and as a result warms up faster, should be decent for walleye fishing during opening weekend, he said.

Fishing conditions on Lake Margrethe will probably be "fair," Millikin said, but how active the fish are will largely depend on water temperatures.

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## Tennis team ties Boyne City 4-4

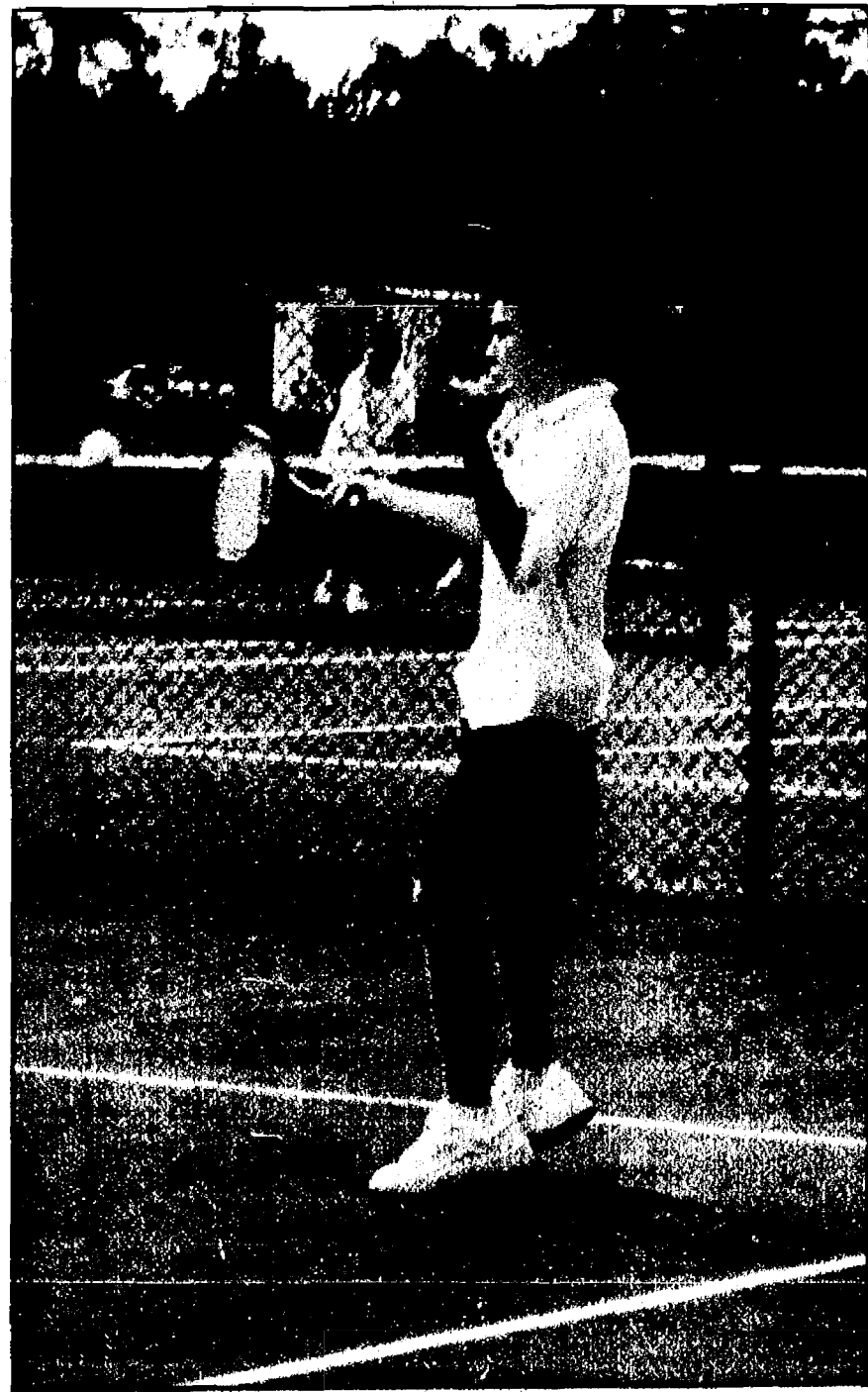


Photo by Caleb Casey

Brady Ward competes in a singles match during last week's Grayling vs. Boyne City varsity tennis meet at Grayling High School. The contest ended in a 4-4 tie. For more, see Page 4B.


## Varsity softball team hosts Bucks



Photo by Caleb Casey

Grayling shortstop Lexi Bondar throws home in game one of last Monday's varsity softball series at Grayling High School. The doubleheader was Grayling's season opener. Roscommon won both games. For more, see Page 3B.





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## Track team wins five events at Ogemaw

► Vikes compete against Ogemaw Heights and Pinconning

The Grayling High School track team – in its season opener – won five events at last Wednesday's three-team track and field meet at West Branch Ogemaw Heights. Competing teams included Grayling, Ogemaw, and Pinconning.

The GHS girls squad posted three overall event victories: Jessica Green won the long jump (15'2"); Ashley Hawley took 1st place in the high jump (4'6"); and Tracy Parkinson posted the fastest time in the 100-yard hurdles (18.6 seconds).

Other placements for Grayling's girls team included: Green, 2nd, 200-yard dash (31.88); Parkinson, 4th, 300-yard hurdles (1:03.21); Justine Tozer, 3rd, 300-yard hurdles (1:03.14); Lindsey Johns, 5th, 800-yard run (3:27); Mandy Czapek, 5th, shot put (25'9.5"); Parkinson, Tozer, Hawley, Green, 2nd, 4x220-yard relay (2:10.87).

"I am really proud of the girls – they put in a great effort," said Coach Heidi West. "Ogemaw Heights and Pinconning are tough teams and we held our own. We're off to a good start."

The GHS boys team won two events at last Wednesday's meet: Tyler Cragg placed 1st in the 440-yard dash (55.88 seconds); and Reagan Schmidt had the best overall time in the 2-mile run (11:45.07).

Other placements for the boys team included:

Travis Helsel, 3rd, high jump (5'0"); 4th, 440-yard dash (1:01.79);

Tyler Cragg, 3rd, 100-yard dash (11.08); 4th, 220-yard dash (25.78);

Pawel Wojcik, 6th, 100-yard dash (11.66); 5th, 120-yard hurdles (19:70); 8th, 330-yard hur-



Photos by Caleb Casey

Reagan Schmidt and Shawn Gabriel, long distance runners for Grayling High School's boys track team, prepare for this Wednesday's track meet at Standish at practice on Monday, April 21.

dles (49.18);

Reagan Schmidt, 3rd, 1-mile run (5:22.07);

Ryan Schmidt, 6th, high jump (4'10"); 7th, long jump, (16'04.5"); 6th, 120-yard hurdles (20.33); 3rd, 330-yard hurdles (46.72);

Eric Hunter, 6th, long jump (16'4.75"); 7th, 220-yard dash (26.41);

Chris Cragg, 9th, long jump (15'11"); 8th, 100-yard dash (11.80); 9th, 220-yard dash (27.14);

Tim Umlor, 9th, shot put (33'10"); 7th, discus (105'02"); Greg Warren, 14th, shot put (31'3.5"); 17th, discus (79'9"); Jason Phillips, 15th, discus (87'1");

Rich Ryan, 16th, discus (86'7"); 7th, 120-yard hurdles (24.80);

Brent Gabriel, 10th, 100-yard dash (11.85);

Dustin Parens, 13th, 100-yard dash (11.96); 14th, 220-yard dash (27.14);

dash (28.71); 14th, 440-yard dash (1:09.17);

Michael Salyers, 7th, 440-yard dash (1:04.06); 4th, 880-yard run (2:30.02);

Kyle Bond, 15th, 440-yard dash (1:09.40);

William Coe, 7th, 2-mile run (13:27.08);

Richard Haight, 9th, 2-mile run (14:31.04);

Chris Bonnington, 9th, 880-yard run (2:46.06);

Shawn Gabriel, 4th, 330-yard hurdles (46.74);

Mike Schmidt, 11th, 2-mile run (15:36.09);

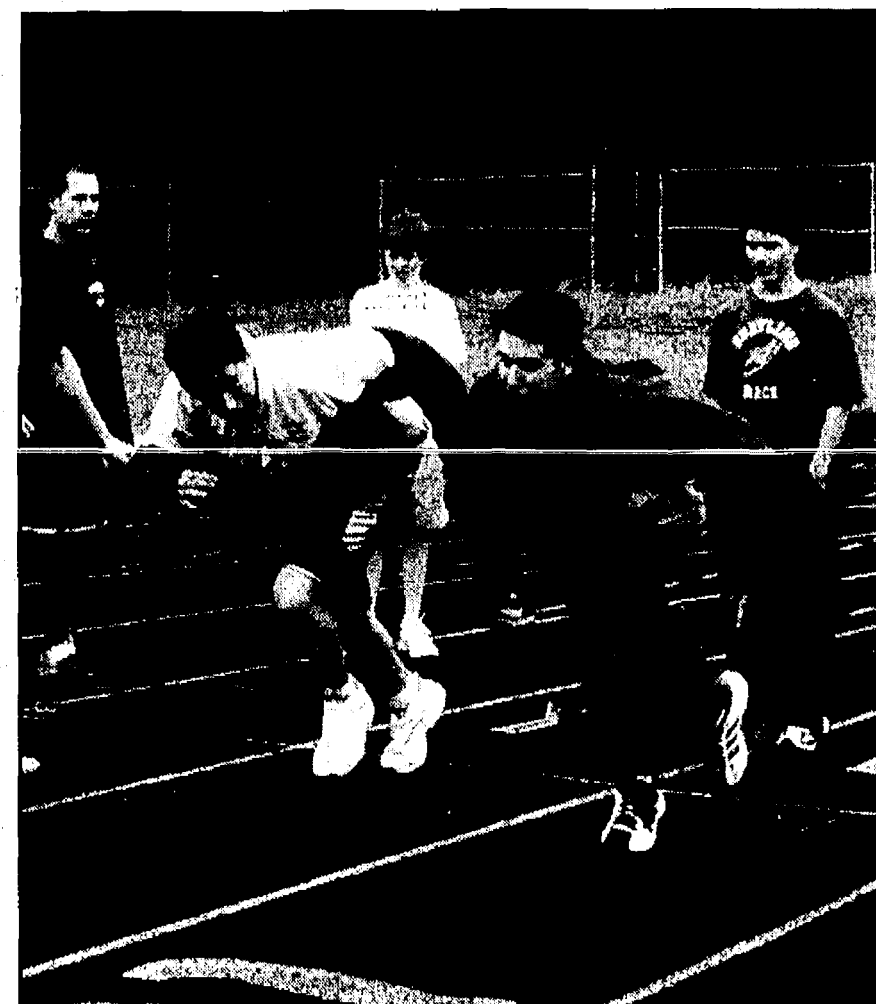
Brent Gabriel, Wojcik, Hunter, Chris Cragg, 2nd, 4x110-yard relay (49.55); Shawn Gabriel,

Brent Gabriel, Tyler Cragg, Helsel, 2nd, 4x440-yard relay (4:01.95); Salyers, Bonnington, Shawn Gabriel, Reagan Schmidt, 2nd, 4x880-yard relay (9:39.70).

"All together, I felt my team had a strong performance, and I am looking forward to the next track meet," Coach Darnell Wilson said.

Final team scores for the meet at Ogemaw were: (boys) Ogemaw 113, Grayling 24; Pinconning 67, Grayling 61; (girls) Ogemaw 115, Grayling 21; Pinconning 81, Grayling 45.

On Saturday, the GHS track team will compete in the Mio Invitational on Saturday, April 26.



GHS sprinters A.J. Powers and Tyler Cragg burst out of the blocks at a recent practice.



Chris Cragg and Brent Gabriel work on their sprinting during practice on Monday.

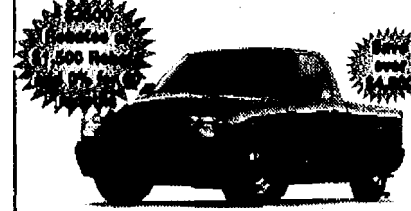
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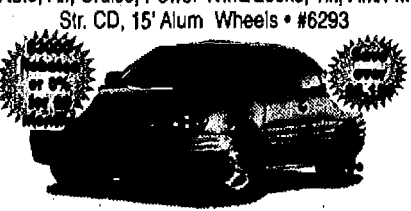
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## Varsity softball team hosts Bucks



Chelsea Wolcott bats for the GHS varsity softball team in last Monday's series vs. Roscommon.

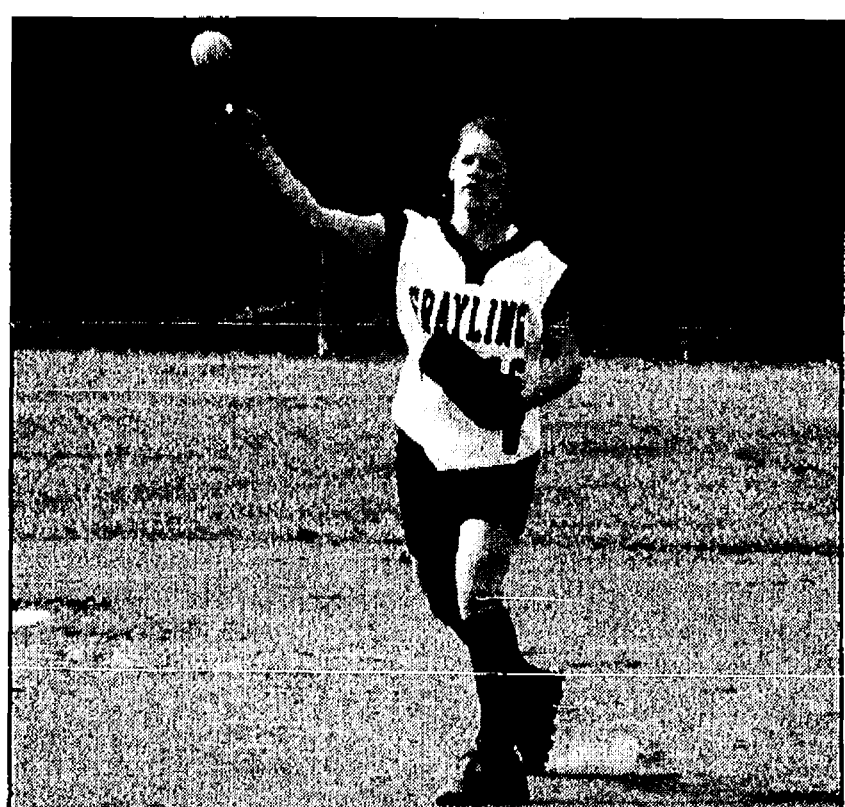


Laura Gorski pitches for Grayling on Monday night.

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Heather Metzger runs to first base.



Second baseman Emily Harvey throws to first.

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## Little League softball sign-up continues

► Deadline for registration has been extended to Saturday, April 26

Grayling Little League has extended its registration deadline to Saturday, April 26. The league is hoping more girls softball players will sign up.

"Grayling Little League would like to increase participation in the softball division," the league stated in a press release. "The goal is to field more teams with age-appropriate divisions. Girls aged 7-14 are eligible to play softball and it is easier to balance teams by age with more players."

"The beauty of softball is that it is a sport that females can participate in for the rest of their lives. Little League softball will be available until the players are eligible for high school softball, many colleges offer the sport both on collegiate teams and in intramural leagues, and women all over the country participate in community leagues."

"Softball was even one of the most popular sports at the Olympics held in Atlanta, Georgia. Some women play for fun and some play for competitive reasons, but all enjoy the sport equally. Grayling Little League is committed to bringing a better softball program to the Grayling area and extends an

invitation to all girls ages 7-14 to come out and play softball."

Registration for girls' softball and baseball has been extended until April 26.

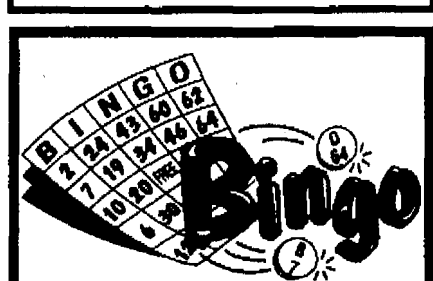
Players registering after draft night (April 27) may have to pay a late registration fee. Players must be at least seven years old on July 31, 2003 to be eligible to play.

Cost of registration is \$25 plus a fundraising fee of \$20 for two home run cards. All home run card fees can be earned back by selling the cards for \$10 each.

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## JV baseball team wins, ties in opener

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doing exactly what we asked," Coach Travis Huber. "I was very pleased with how well we played, considering that was our first time on a baseball field this

year. I thought we played well, and we will continue to improve as the season progresses."

The Vikings will host Elk Rapids on Thursday, April 24, at 4:30 p.m.

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## GHS ALUMNI SPORTS NEWS

**Brad Gorski, Glen Oaks Community College Baseball**  
Gorski, a 2001 Grayling High School graduate, batted 2 for 2 in game two of a doubleheader at Mott on Saturday. Glen Oaks won both games (5-3, 2-1). Glen Oaks has a 12-5 league record (19-11 overall).

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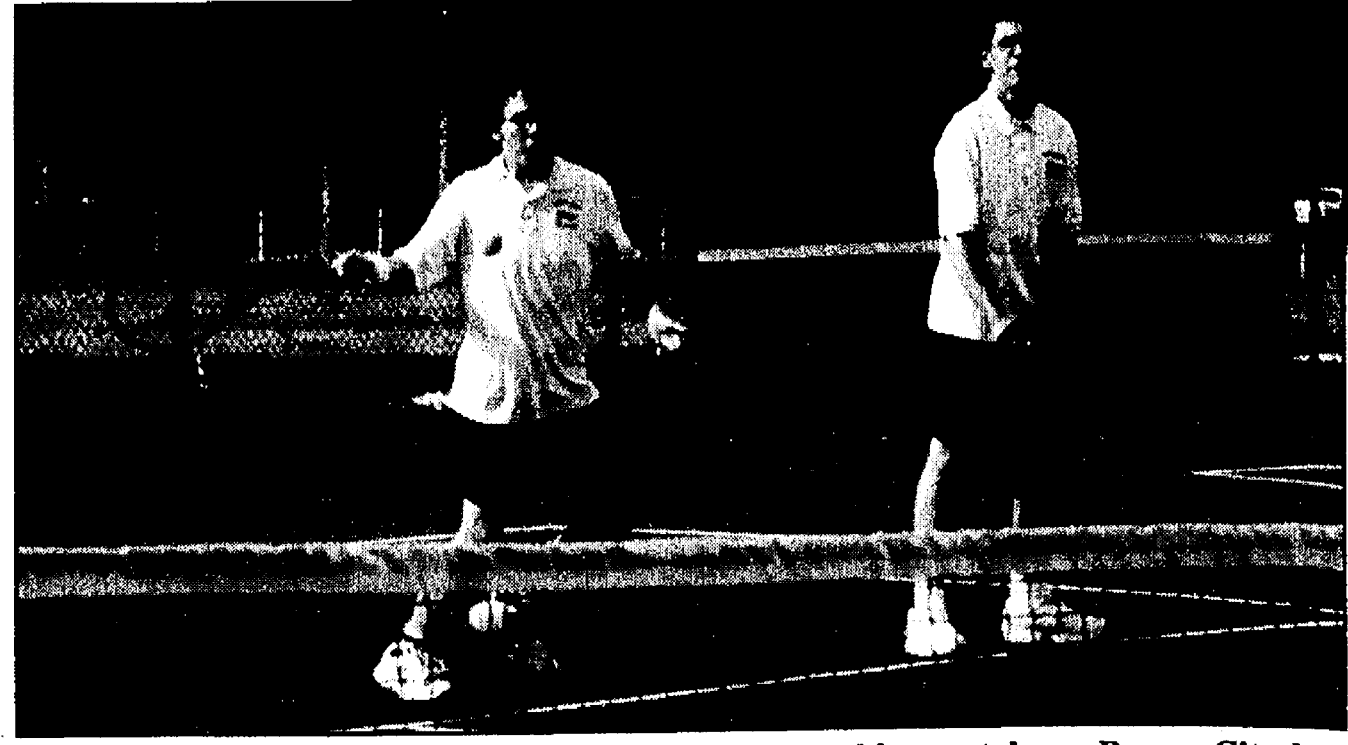
## Tennis team ties Boyne City 4-4

► Vikings win two singles events and two doubles matches

Grayling High School and Boyne City played to a 4-4 tie in a varsity boys tennis meet last Monday in Grayling.

For Grayling, Todd Gaffke (1st singles) won 6-4, 6-0; Erik Olson (4th singles) defeated his opponent 6-1, 6-2; Jensen Dreasky and Jim Jansen (3rd doubles) posted a 6-0, 6-1 victory; and Zeke Hayes and Bobby Feutz (4th doubles) won by default.

"This was a great start to our season," Coach Joe Mau said. "Half of the squad is composed of first year players and we really competed well today. Todd Gaffke and Erik Olson really set the tone with decisive match



**Ken Heinlein and Jason Henning compete in a doubles match vs. Boyne City last Monday.**

wins. The 1st doubles team of Ken Heinlein and Jason Henning lost a close match in three sets, as did Brady Ward at 3rd singles."

"We will continue to work hard to improve, knowing that match wins will follow," Coach Mau said.

On Monday, April 28, the Vikings will host Harbor Springs at 4 p.m. On April 30, the team plays at Charlevoix.

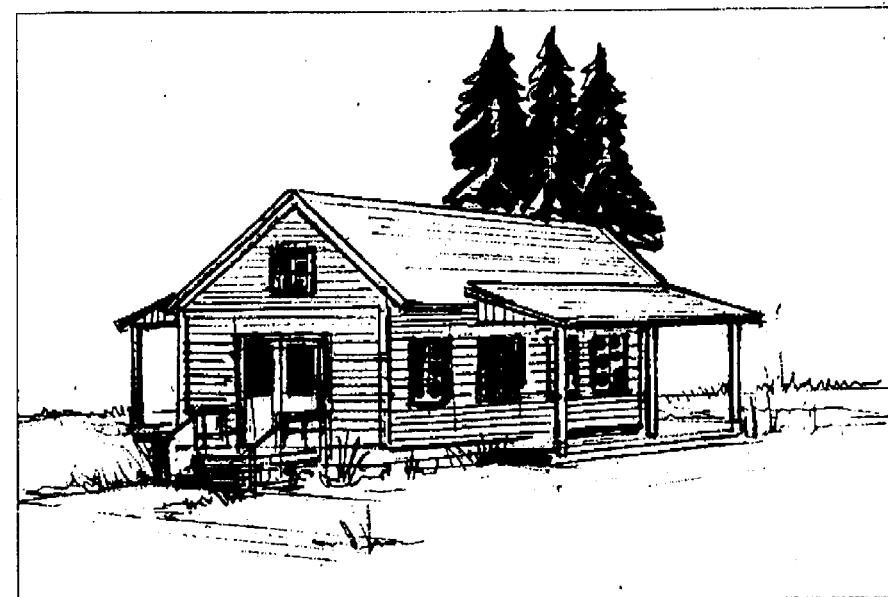
## Fishing exhibit to debut on trout opener

► History of trout fishing on North Branch is featured attraction

The Lovells Township Historical Society will debut its first exhibit at its new log museum on the opening weekend of trout fishing season, Saturday and Sunday, April 26-27.

The topic of the exhibit will be the history of trout fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River.

In addition to the exhibit, other activities will include a representation of a historic fishing camp and an AuSable riverboat display



**A sketch of the new Lovells log museum**

as well as fly casting and fly tying demonstrations.

Highlighting the events on Saturday will be the appearance

of Gary Tanner, Executive Director of the American Museum of Fly Fishing in Manchester, Vermont since 1997,

who will speak on the role of museums in preserving America's trout fishing heritage at 1 p.m. in the Lovells Township Hall.

The museum will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

All events, which are free and open to the public, will take place at the museum and Township Hall at 8405 Twin Bridge Road and at Fuller's North Branch Outing Club at 6122 East County Road 612 in Lovells.

For additional information, contact Darrell and Judy Fuller at 348-7951 or 348-9663.

## Trout season opens on Saturday, April 26

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depend on water temperatures. To fish legally, a license is required (for those 17 years of

age or older). To fish on any designated trout stream or lake, an "All Species" license is required. They cost \$27.

A "Restricted License" — which is good for all species except trout and salmon — is \$13. It can be upgraded to an "All Species" license for an additional \$14.

Fishing licenses can be purchased at area sporting goods stores and other businesses, or online at the Department of Natural Resources website: [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

## FISHING REPORT

**Rivers:** Opening day of trout season is slated for Saturday, April 26. If it doesn't rain much this week, it should be a good opener, as long as weather conditions are decent this weekend.

(Information courtesy of Skip's Sport Shop)

**Lakes:** Trout, walleye, and pike season opens on April 26. Fish are getting more active as water temperatures increase. Last week, water was at about 40 degrees on area waterways. Try fishing in shallow water — where the water temperatures are highest — for best results early in the season.

There was still some ice on area lakes as of last week, but it should be gone for this weekend's opener.

The shallower lakes — like Houghton — should offer decent

fishing opportunities. For walleye, try Houghton Lake or Manistee Lake.

For pike, try still fishing in any area pike lake.

Walleye and pike fishing at Lake Margrethe should be fair, at least, depending on water temperatures.

Now might be a good time to go after panfish. Panfish season is always open, and fishing pressure is light right now — so it might be a good time to get an early jump.

Lake Margrethe should be good for bluegill and perch. Try Houghton Lake's canal for bluegill and crappie. Lonesome Lake should offer decent bluegill fishing opportunities with very light pressure.

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# Vikings split on opening day

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Roscommon won game two of the doubleheader 5-1. The Bucks scored five runs in the fourth inning, and that was enough to win it.

"Pitcher Adam Kaiser was sailing along with a one hitter going into the fourth inning with a 1-0 lead. Two singles and three walks opened the floodgate for Roscommon as they scored all five of their runs in the fourth inning," Coach Gorski said. "Chris Wakeley came in relief of Kaiser and struck out eight batters in three-and-two-thirds innings, giving up one run on a two out triple to Will Massey. Norm Osborn threw a five hitter, striking out 11 and walking one batter (for Roscommon)."

Leading hitters for GHS in game two were: Kaiser, 3 for 4; Lange, 1 for 2; Davis, 1 for 3; Andy Strohpaal, 1 for 3.

Last Wednesday's doubleheader at Houghton Lake was postponed.

The Vikings will host Kalkaska on Monday, April 28, at 4:30 p.m.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling catcher Greg Morrill throws to first base on a pick-off play in last Monday's game against Roscommon.



DJ Metzger runs to third base during game one of last week's series vs. Roscommon.



Joe Lange bats for Grayling in Monday night's varsity baseball doubleheader.

## Little League clinic to be held in Roscommon

The Roscommon High School baseball and softball teams, in cooperation with the Roscommon St. Helen Little League, will be conducting an outdoor skills clinic for children ages 5-17 on Friday, April 25, from 6-8 p.m. at the ball fields located next to Roscommon Elementary School.

The clinics are open to all registered RSH Little League players and include a camp tee shirt and dinner. Parents will be able to register their children at the

clinic from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Children wishing to participate that are not registered for RSH Little League are encouraged to attend but will be charged a nominal fee. Participants from the surrounding communities are welcome.

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Page 125, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventeen Thousand Eighteen and 27/100 dollars (\$17,018.27), including interest at 9.750% per annum.

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U/A/D June 26, 1981, Plaintiff

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Notice of Foreclosure Sale

1. On August 16, 2002, the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, entered a Judgment of Foreclosure in this matter.

2. As of the date of this notice, this Judgment remains unsatisfied. Therefore, pursuant to the terms of the Judgment of Foreclosure on Wednesday, May 7, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., at a public auction to be held in the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the Defendants, Paul W. Schroeder and Colleen Schroeder, in and to the real property described as follows:

**PARCEL 2:** Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 12, T26N, R4W; thence S 89° 37' W along the South line of Section 12, 737.6 feet to the Southerly right-of-way of M-72; thence N73° 15' W along the Southerly right-of-way of M-72, 451.8 feet to the intersection of the Northerly right-of-way of M-93 for Point of Beginning; thence South 58° 30' W along the Northerly right-of-way of M-93, 431.3 feet; thence North 0° 21' W, 336.5 feet to the Southerly right-of-way of M-72; thence South 73° 15' E along the Southerly right-of-way of M-72, 386.2 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, and North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

3. The sale of the Property shall be as a single parcel free and clear of all easements, liens, encumbrances and claims arising since August 9, 1999, the date that the Mortgage was recorded at the Crawford County Register of Deeds. The

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sale is subject to liens and other restrictions recorded before August 9, 1999 none of which are foreclosed by the Judgment of Foreclosure.

4. Paul W. Schroeder and Colleen Schroeder, shall be forever barred and foreclosed of and from all equity of redemption, and claim of, in, and to the Mortgaged Property, if not redeemed within six months from the date of the sale.

Dated: March 10, 2003

Thomas R. Alward, Esq. (P31724)

Brandt, Fisher, Alward & Roy, P.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

1241 E. Eighth Street

P.O. Box 5817

Traverse City, MI 49696-5817

-20-27-03-10-17-24

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John D. Tuck and Teresa A. Melroy-Tuck, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC, mortgagee, dated November 26, 2001 and recorded December 3, 2001 in Liber 561, Page 532, Crawford County Records. There is

claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two and 30/100 Dollars (\$41,482.30) including interest at the rate of 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 30, 2003.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing 200 feet North and 33 feet West of the Southeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 120 feet; thence West 120 feet; thence South 120 feet; thence East 120 feet to the point of beginning of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 27, 2003

Orlans Associates PC

Attorney for Fifth Third Mortgage-MI LLC, As Mortgagee

P.O. Box 5041

Troy, MI 48007-5041

(248) 457-1000

File No. 200.0789

27-03-10-17-24

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Frederic Township Planning Commission will be holding a meeting on May 1, 2003 at 7:00 pm at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 C.R. 612 in Frederic. Public is welcome to attend.

Douglas J. Pratt  
Zoning Administrator



# LEGAL ACTION

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6617-DE  
Estate of Henry N. Peabody, III,  
Deceased, Date of birth: 12-21-60  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:  
The decedent, Henry N. Peabody, III, who lived at 4887 West Dort Road, Beaver Creek Twp., Michigan, 49738 died February 3, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to James O. Peabody, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: April 14, 2003  
George H. Runstadler  
255 E. Brown Street, Suite 320  
Birmingham, MI 48009  
(248) 645-9680  
James O. Peabody  
766 Winchester  
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

## Mortgage Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Christopher R. Rollins and Amiee Lynn Rollins, aka Amiee Lynn Rollins, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated September 11, 2002 and recorded on October 1, 2002 in Liber 597 page 426, Crawford County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$51,899.99.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, May 21, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the

front door of Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 13 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

Parcel "A": The North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Township of Maple Forest. Also a 1993 Fairmont Mobile Home, Serial #MY9488763.

The redemption period will be one year from the date of sale.

Dated: April 8, 2003  
Joseph B. Backus  
Attorney for mortgage holder  
P.O. Box 794  
East Lansing, MI 48826  
517-337-1617

## Foreclosure Notice

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Fred E. Simpson, a single man to New Century Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2002 and recorded May 1, 2002 in Liber 579 on Page 607, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the Registered Holders of the ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2002-NCI, by assignment dated March 27, 2003 and received by and recorded in Crawford County Records on April 3, 2002, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date

hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety and 88/100 Dollars (\$184,190.88), including interest at 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel B: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 645 feet to the place of beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 353.95 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 64 degrees 34 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 53 degrees 10 minutes West, 113.91 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 305.18 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West. Parcel C: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 745 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 305.18 feet; thence North 53 degrees 10 minutes East, 113.91 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 86 degrees 58 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 44 degrees West, 214.12 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 303.88 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless

determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 8, 2003  
U.S. Bank National Association,  
as trustee, on behalf of the  
Registered Holders of the  
ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates  
Series 2002-NCI,  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potosio & Associates,  
P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 810  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext 111  
Our File No: 03-13292

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard A. Grant, a single man (original mortgagors) to Fifth Third Bank as successor by merger and/or name change to Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 11, 1997, and recorded on September 12, 1997 in Liber 437 on Page 582 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One and 87/100 dollars (\$29,621.87), including interest at 8.700% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

the South 20 feet of the Northwest 1/4 and the Southwest 1/4 of Lot 5, Block 4, Martha Brinks Addition to the Village

(now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 17, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team W (248) 593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200316954

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald E. Ray and Gail S. Ray, husband and wife, of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor, to Pines Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 8, 1997, and recorded on April 14, 1997 in Liber 428, on page 96, Crawford County Records, Michigan, which said mortgage was thereafter assigned to Norma E. Daugherty Revocable Living Trust by assignment dated April 8, 1997, and recorded on June 19, 1997 in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford in Liber 432 of Crawford County Records, on page 75, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$9,955.48 plus \$3.93 interest per day after 4/10/03.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage with the interest thereon at sixteen and 00/100 (16%) per cent per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to County Building in City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, on Wednesday, May 7, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Township of Lovells, Parcel E-1: Commencing at the S 1/4 corner of Sec. 27, T 28 N, R 2 W; thence S 87 degrees 58 minutes E 330.0 feet along Sec. line, thence N 0 degrees 40 minutes W 393.07 feet; thence N 76 degrees 41 minutes 21 seconds E 526.34 feet along centerline of county road 612; thence N 53 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds E 1034.25 feet; along northerly line of railroad grade; thence N 0 degrees 38 minutes W 658.82 feet to the point of beginning; thence N 0 degrees 38 minutes W 330.0 feet; thence N 89 degrees 49 minutes E 200.0 feet along center of county road, thence S 0 degrees 38 minutes E 330.0 feet; thence S 89 degrees 49 minutes W 200.0 feet to the point of beginning. Part of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 24 T 28 N, R 2 W, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Sidwell No. 20-013-024-013-020-06  
During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: March, 2003  
Norma E. Daugherty  
Revocable Trust, Mortgagee  
Michael A. Nedelman (P35433)  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
Nedelman Pawlak, PLC  
32000 Northwest Highway, Ste. 240  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334  
(248) 855-8888  
File No. 1104.802

03-10-17-24

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Alma a married man and Cynthia A. Alma his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 1999, and recorded on May 13, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 355 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said Mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated April 20, 1999, which was recorded on July 19, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 290, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-One Thousand Fifty-Seven and 23/100 Dollars (\$31,057.23), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be fore-closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 am, on May 28, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: The North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of that part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, lying East of State Highway US-27. Also the North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of the West 659.43 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 4, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200317471  
Team X

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A huge Corporation called Countrywide Home Loan is so huge that I cannot talk to the same person twice! And they laughed at me when I gave the name of the person that I last spoke to, and with laughter they said there are thousands of people that work there, and they could not possibly know who that person was. They have a mortgage literally only on the north portion of the house. The driveway and mailbox is not upon the mortgaged property.

I repeatedly wanted to settle but they will not. Instead they simply chose instead to foreclose. Located upon the free and clear south portion are the main electrical panel and entrance, the kitchen sink and also the pump, and I have the front door and all of the driveway and also the load bearing south wall. Despite the fact that I have explained this quandary to them, they simply have been unwilling to consider settling, obviously, because they are attempting foreclosure instead of simply resolving a cash settlement. They want payments instead of being willing to settle.

Rex Alma, Frederic  
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## BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

TO: The residents and property owners of Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing concerning the adoption of a proposed new Zoning Ordinance for Beaver Creek Township, patterned after and replacing the existing Crawford County Zoning Ordinance as it presently regulates Beaver Creek Township, will be held on Tuesday, April 29, 2003 commencing at 7:30 PM at the Beaver Creek Township Hall located within the township at 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738, as required under the provisions of the Township Zoning Act.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the public hearing is for the purpose of consideration and adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance and Map, but patterned after and to replace the existing County Zoning Ordinance and Map as presently regulate the Township, to govern the regulation and use of land and buildings within the Township, which proposes to divide the Township into Districts, define certain terms used therein, impose regulations, prohibitions and restrictions concerning the erection, construction or reconstruction of structures or buildings and lands to be used for the purposes of forestry, agricultural, residential use, commercial use and industrial use and other specified purposes; regulating and limiting the height and size of buildings and structures; regulating and limiting lot occupancy; the size of yards and other open spaces; establishing boundaries of Districts by means of a Zoning Map, creating a Zoning Board of Appeals and creating and limiting the powers and duties of said Board and setting standards to guide the actions of said Board and providing the means of enforcing the Ordinance and providing a penalty for violation of said Ordinance and other specific and related matters as provided therein;

Anyone interested in reviewing the proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map may examine a copy of same at the office of the Township Clerk, Sharon Hartman, Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738 until the time of said hearing and may further review same at said public hearing;

Written correspondence or documents will be received from any interested persons concerning said proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map by the Beaver Creek Township Clerk, Sharon Hartman, at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738 up until the time of the hearing and may be further received by the Planning Commission at said Hearing.

The Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission and the Township Board observe the right to make changes in the proposed new Zoning Ordinance and Map at, or following, the Public Hearing.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place.

Beaver Creek Township will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired, and audiotapes of printed material being considered at the Hearing, to the individuals with disabilities at the Hearing, upon four days notice to the Beaver Creek Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk at the address and telephone number listed below.

Sharon Hartman, Clerk  
Beaver Creek Township  
888 S. Grayling Rd.  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Ph # (989) 275-8878

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC NOTICE OF NONMETALLIC MINERALS, SAND, GRAVEL, COBBLES, BOULDERS, AND CLAY DIRECT LEASES

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will direct lease State-owned nonmetallic mineral, sand and gravel rights. These parcels are *existing* State sand and gravel pits currently under permit to various county Road Commissions. They are being converted from mineral permits to leases in an effort to improve management and reclamation. The lands under consideration for leasing are located in the following areas:

2002-1: 7-Mile Pit, NE1/4 NE1/4 and NW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 16, T25N, R3W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County (80.00 acres, more or less).

2003-4: King's Corner Pit, SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 32, T25N, R9E, Greenwood Township, Alpena County (40.00 acres, more or less).

2003-5: Kolka Creek Pit, SW1/4 NE1/4 and NW1/4 SE1/4, of Section 15, T28N, R4W, Frederic Township, Crawford County (77.53 acres, more or less).

2003-6: Bald Hill Clay Pit, NE1/4 NW1/4, of Section 7, T27N, R1W, Lovells Township, Crawford County (26.61 acres, more or less).

2003-7: McMaster's Pit, NE1/4 SW1/4 and NW1/4 SW1/4, of Section 2, T26N, R1W, South Branch Township, Crawford County (80.00 acres, more or less).

2003-8: Chase Bridge Pit, NE1/4 SW1/4 and S1/2 S1/2, of Section 27, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County (200.00 acres, more or less).

2003-9: NW1/4 NW1/4 and NE1/4 NE1/4, of Section 28, T28N, R3E, Clinton Township, Oscoda County (80.00 acres, more or less).

Written comments by interested parties should be sent to the attention of Leonard Espinosa, DNR, Forest, Mineral and Fire Management, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7952, or via the internet by request to [espinosal@michigan.gov](mailto:espinosal@michigan.gov). Written comments relative to the leasing of any description must be received by the Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division at the address specified above **NOT LATER THAN** May 30, 2003.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING SEWER-ONLY ACCOUNTS

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that the Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 7:30 pm, at the Grayling Elementary School at 1000 Michigan Avenue concerning an amendment to Ordinance #25 Section 10, Special Rates subsection:

Added language:

The rate for all nonmetered sewer customers shall be set at \$140.00 per quarter beginning June 1, 2003. Thereafter, the rate is subject to adjustment annually by resolution of the City Council.

The City will provide the water meter and meter horns for any customers who choose to have their sewer consumption charged by actual usage. The customer will be responsible for connecting the meter to the water source. At the option of the customer, the City will provide that connection at a cost of \$100.00, if that request is made before June 1, 2003. The fee will be added to the water bill and is payable to the city by June 1, 2004. After that date the fee would be spread to the property tax for that parcel.

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 7:30 PM on Monday, April 28, 2003 at the Grayling Elementary School, 1000 Michigan Avenue. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING BUDGET HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing for its 2003-2004 budget on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 7:30 pm, at the Grayling Elementary School at 1000 Michigan Avenue. All citizens are invited to attend and provide council with written and/or oral comments and ask questions concerning the city's proposed budget. The proposed budget can be inspected by the public from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday in the City Clerk's Office at the City Hall. Handicapped persons needing assistance should contact the City Office before the meeting by calling 348-2131.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The discussion at this public hearing will also include consideration of the proposed millage rate to be levied for the 2003-2004 tax year and the relationship of the state equalized value and the taxable value of property and the changes for same between 2002-2003 and 2003-2004. The millage rate proposed in the 2003-2004 budget is 14.8 mills for operation and 0.0 mills for debt retirement. This millage rate is exactly the same as the 2002-2003 millage rate but will result in increased revenues due to increases in state equalized values and taxable values. The City of Grayling has complete authority to set the millage rate for city operations at any level below the charter limit.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

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# FACTS AND FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago April 24, 1980

"Guys and Dolls" is coming to Grayling's Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Cast members include Tim Taylor, Shannon McNamara, Todd Dunkley, Sue Prause, Sarah Brown, Scott Dunkley, George Morse, Jim Kitch, Steve Allen and John Watkins.

Dr. Donald Bush of CMU, provided members of the Middle School Advisory Committee his review of school problems and recommendations for its future.

His final recommendation generally concurred with those from previous consultants - consider construction of a new facility for Middle School students.

Area Cub Scouts held their Annual Pinewood Derby last Tuesday. The scouts made their own racing cars for the event and the winners were as follows: Tommy Ellingboe, Jason Wright, Steve Lehti, Todd VanDeVen, Scott Davis, Steve Peterson, Scott Rochette, John Schilbe, Mike Burkley, Grady Stoll, Matt Cory, Tim Cook, James Bryan, Rusty Argue, Art Geltz, Hank Abney and Robert Fenton.

Winner in the father's event was Rick Wright.

Two juniors at Grayling High School have been selected to attend a government training and education session at Olivet

College.

Susan Diedrich and Jay Schrader will attend the ten day program this year.

Grayling Elementary School Second Graders held their Annual Balloon Launch on Friday under ideal weather conditions. The balloons, 120 in all, were sent skyward, each tagged asking the finder to return it to the school.

Competition at the Spartan Relays in East Lansing was "tough," as Grayling's Girls team finished in 12th place. Although the girls finishing times had improved, it was not enough to win points.

The Grayling Holiday Inn was the site for the Northern Michigan Jaycee Regional Convention. Mike Elden, Grayling Jaycee and District Director attended the convention, representing the Grayling community.

Traffic speeds in Crawford County have been radar controlled for about a year. Three cars are equipped with permanent equipment and a fourth unit is also available for use.

Crawford County Sheriff Curt Haas said the units were purchased for about \$1,000 a piece and were obtained through grants received and at no cost to the taxpayers.

Congratulations to Mrs. Clara Dawson as she celebrates her 90th birthday this Thursday. She was co-operator of Dawsons Drug

Store for years. Her son, Devere, now operates the business.

### 46 Years Ago April 25, 1957

Three Grayling High School seniors were named as the honor students of the 1957 graduating class. Robert Houghton and Bethany Koerber were named as co-valedictorians while Robert Strong was named as salutatorian.

Other students who finished their high school careers with high honors were Nancy Reava, Mickey Mikesell, Barbara Cornell, Marilyn Burch and Gary Gust.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnow Hanson announced the sale of their hardware store, Ron's Hardware, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson.

The Kiwanis Club will sponsor the All Sports banquet to be held on Monday.

Attending the banquet will be the Grayling Viking athletes, their parents, Kiwanians and their wives and other guests. Speaker for the evening will be the new head basketball coach at Central Michigan College, Ted Kjolhede.

A margin of four points cost the Grayling High Vikings the first track meet of the season at the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area on Thursday. The Gaylord Blue Devils amassed 56 points to the Viking team's 52.

A Canadian canoeing and fishing trip is a prospect for a group of Grayling area boys this summer. The expedition is being organized by Jerry Gambill, former Saginaw YMCA camp director.

The Second Annual Mom's Week (mothers of men in service)

has been proclaimed by Governor G. Mennen Williams to be April 21-27. The Mom's Club of Frederic received its charter in 1932. There were about ten members at that time, and at present there are about 18 moms and 20 auxiliary members. The club sends subscriptions of the *Avalanche* to its boys in the service. They also remember returning servicemen, who have had overseas duty, with a gift and \$10.

### 69 Years Ago April 26, 1934

Superintendent P.G. Zalsman of the fish hatchery is taking his fish exhibit to the West Branch trout festival. Phil has one of the most wonderful fish exhibits to be found anywhere.

Workmen are busy uncovering the water lines on Cedar and McClellan Streets. The pipes will be lowered below the frost line to avoid the danger of freezing in the winter.

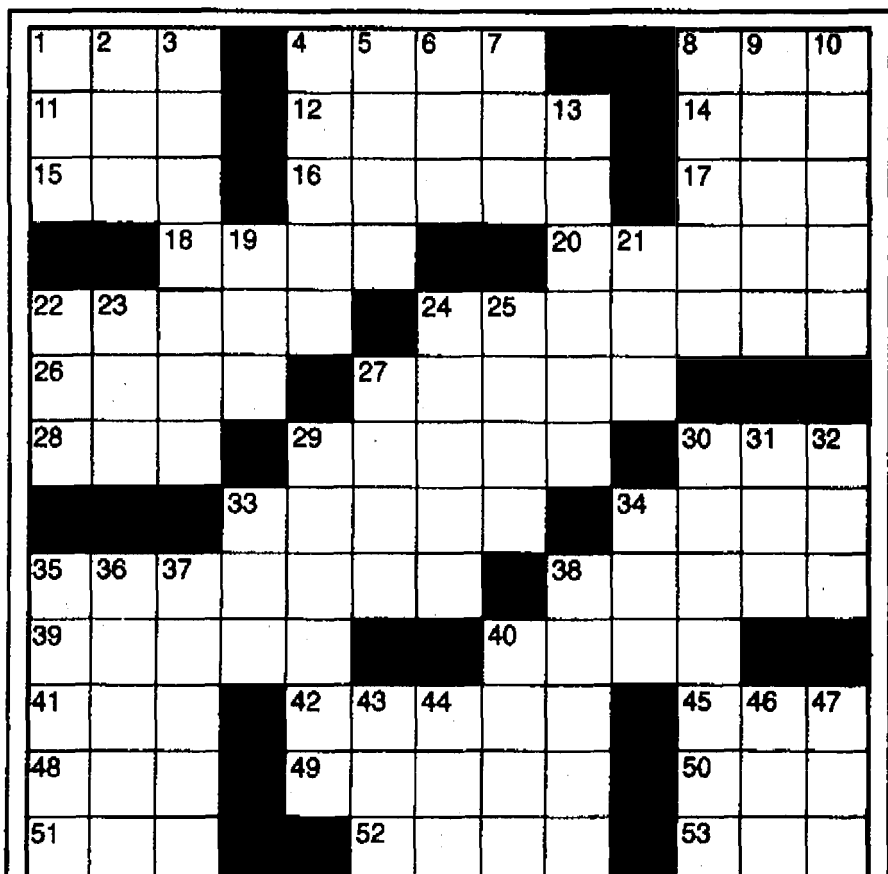
### 92 Years Ago April 27, 1911

Olson's addition to the store adjoining Brink's Grocery is enclosed and rapidly approaching completion. As of now, it is not sure who will occupy it.

The new soda fountain with all modern attachments at A.M. Lewis and Company's Drug Store, is fine enough to adorn any city store in the state.

Sixty cars of gravel have been acquired by private subscription to add to the township appropriation for rebuilding the road to Portage Lake.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. "\_\_\_ Lazy River" (2 wds.)
4. Canine mothers
8. Unaffiliated voter: abbr.
11. \_\_\_ pedal
12. Open
14. Aussie animal
15. \_\_\_ Pinafore
16. Turner, to the United Nations
17. From \_\_\_ Z (2 wds.)
18. Egyptian sun god
20. Say
22. Thicknesses
24. Envelope info
26. Courageous
27. Benchmark
28. Distress message
29. Door-slammng drama
30. \_\_\_ stand-still (2 wds.)
33. Before house or light
34. Vendetta
35. Craftsman
38. Linzer \_\_\_ (pastry)
39. Glee
40. Vamoosel
41. Wind dir.
42. Post or Dickinson
45. Life: prefix
48. Born
49. Common fabric at The Gap
50. Journalist Tarbell
51. Physicians: abbr.
52. Highest point
53. Army bed

### DOWN

1. Yuck!
2. Mrs. North of mysteries
3. Assaults
4. Nincompoops
5. Cosmetics company
6. Big boys
7. Broadway letters
8. Mad
9. Observes
10. "Riders On The Storm" group
13. Walk with leaden feet
19. A Kennedy
21. Three, in Roma
22. "Nova" network
23. Bathroom, in Britain
24. Ruth's successor
25. Air passage
27. Inaugural ball, e.g.
29. Looked for trout
30. Requiring oxygen
31. Rebuker's sound
32. Citrus drink
33. \_\_\_ viper
34. Egg \_\_\_ yung
35. Rephrase
36. Step part
37. Arbor units
38. 'Fragrant' herb
40. Thin
43. \_\_\_ culpa
44. Corporate abbr.
46. Words at a wedding
47. Granola grain

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK

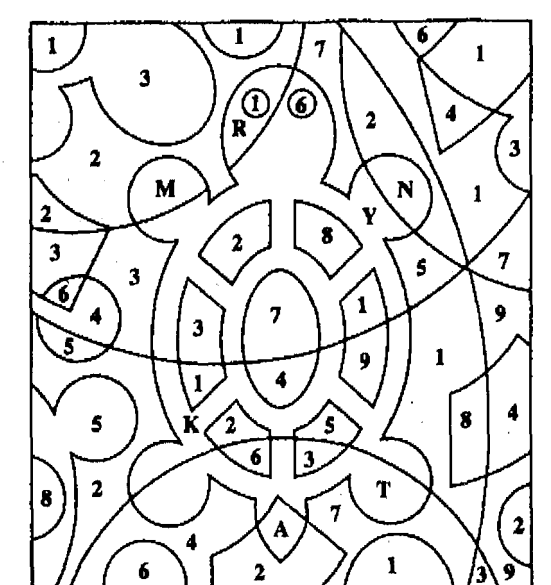


- 2 taco shells  
1 large lettuce leaf, shredded (thinly sliced)  
1/2 cup grated cheese  
1 tomato, sliced  
2 Kiwifruit, peeled and sliced  
2 sprigs parsley or coriander (cilantro).

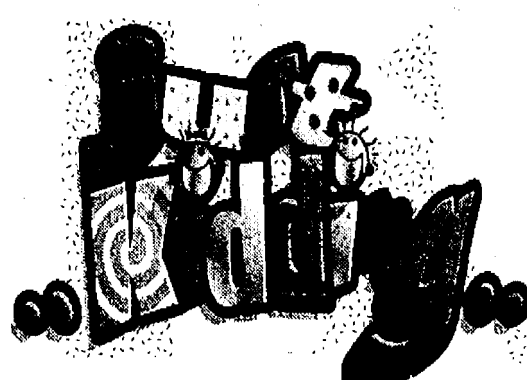
### KIWI TACOS

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Place the taco shells on an oven-proof tray and bake for 3-4 minutes, until crisp. Fill with shredded lettuce, cheese, tomato and kiwifruit. Garnish with parsley or coriander. Makes 2.

### HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.



**DID YOU KNOW**  
Berceuse is another term for "cradle song" or lullaby.

### SEEK AND FIND

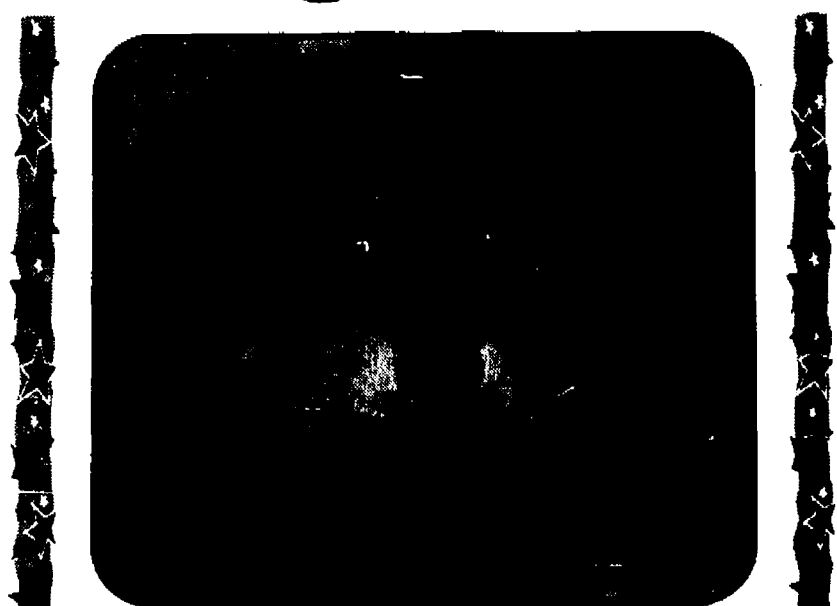
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

BEANS BURRITOS CHEESE ENCHILADA  
FAJITAS GUACAMOLE JALAPENOS NACHOS  
QUESADILLA RICE TACO TORTILLA

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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T A C O F D B F T G  
R J A L A P E N O S  
I L E K J J A H R O  
C P S O I I N U T H  
E E E R T T S Y I C  
Q U E S A D I L L A  
Z C H V S N T Y L N  
E N C H I L A D A W

### Adopt a Pet



Spike is waiting to find a new home along with his brothers Petrie and Little Foot. They are all neutered males and have their shots. Their mom, Sarah, looks like a Setter or Collie cross and is also looking for a new home. Sarah has been spayed and has all of her vaccinations also. Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the *Avalanche* for either item.

**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:**  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

### WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast						
Date	H	L	Rain	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
4/16	80	33	.80	High 53	High 56	High 54	High 58	High 60	High 61	
4/17	33	25	.35	Low 30	Low 29	Low 33	Low 36	Low 40	Low 37	
4/18	35	25	.20	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-Storms	
4/19	42	32	.06							
4/20	68	40	.20							
4/21	68	47	.06							
4/22	47	31	.12							

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# HOROSCOPES

For the Week of April 24, 2003

**April 21 - April 19**

A friend you lost touch with reconnects with you in an unusual way. As you recall old times, make plans for new memories.

**April 20 - May 20**

A financial deal you made some time ago finally pays off. Go out and celebrate. Some friends make plans for the weekend; join them!

**May 21 - June 21**

It may be difficult at first, but you will persevere and get your message across at the office. Your exercise routine may need some minor adjustments.

**June 22 - July 22**

Lucky you! A business appointment will be cancelled, and you can go ahead with your travel plans. A package is headed your way.

**July 23 - August 22**

Surprise! You're a big winner. Have fun with your prize, and if it's monetary, don't spend it all in one place.

**August 23 - September 22**

After a health scare, you receive a clean bill of health. Invite some friends over and celebrate. A relative returns to town with a pleasant surprise.

**September 23 - October 22**

A problem crops up at work, and everyone looks to you for the answer. You know exactly what to say and do.

**October 23 - November 21**

A colleague values your input, and asks for your help with a special project. You've been waiting for an opportunity like this for a long time, so go for it!

**November 22 - December 21**

So much has happened this week that you feel exhausted. Rejuvenate with a few hours alone. You'll soon be feeling like your old self again.

**December 22 - January 19**

Watch what you say and do this week. If you aren't careful, you could send someone you are fond of the wrong message.

**January 20 - February 18**

Misinformation is at an all-time high. Question everything you see and hear, and trust no one, not even those who are usually reliable sources of information.

**February 19 - March 19**

You'll have several good ideas this week, but your colleagues will be oblivious to them. Don't become frustrated; use the time instead to perfect your ideas.



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## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**EMPTY CITY LOT** Slightly deeper than average. 305 Mikado. SEV \$4,000, available at \$7,500. 810-240-1499 (-24-1/1)

### 1. Real Estate

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### 1. Real Estate

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### 1. Real Estate

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### 1. Real Estate

**LOG HOME** on 234' AuSable mainstem. Three bedrooms, three baths. Grayling Township, two car attached garage. \$199,500 (989) 344-8032 (-17-24-1-8/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**MANY NORTHERN MICHI-GAN PROPERTY** www.grayling.com (1/7/99tff/1)

**STOP RENTING** for as low as \$500 - \$1,000 down and a small monthly payment. You can own your own home and have it paid for in two years. Timberly Village Mobile Home Park. (1/23/03tff/1)

**NEWLY BUILT** 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Two car attached garage. Five miles east of Grayling. \$92,000 (989) 348-4840 (-3-10-17-24/1)

**THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH** ranch style home. 1,768 sq. ft. with attached breezeway and double car plus garage. Double plus lot in Karen Woods Subdivision just one mile from town off M-72 West in Grayling. \$128,900 (989) 348-2431 (-3-10-17-24/1)

**THREE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING** lots close to town. \$8,500 each. Natural gas. (989) 348-6938. (4/17/03tff/1)

**GRAYLING TOWNSHIP** Vacant lots for sale. 1/2 acre wooded, main road. \$13,900 each. Krausmann Realty. (248) 333-8888 (LR6/19/03/1)

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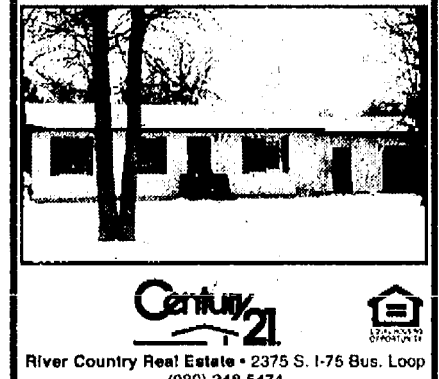
Jeanne Lee

231-933-4700  
1-800-794-3440

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Traverse City, MI  
49686



Nice three bedroom home was renovated in 1997 to include new kitchen cabinets. Formica tops and new floor covering. Home also features 1 1/2 baths attached insulated garage, decking and shed. Includes range, dishwasher and refrigerator in garage. \$78,500 #5092 Ask for Connie!



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**IDEAL LOCATION IN THE CITY OF GRAYLING** only 3 blocks from town and schools. 1,101 s.f., 3 B/R, one bath, full basement, drywall ceilings, updated electric & plumbing, new roof in 1999, new storm windows in 2002, original doors and interior trim, and 20 x 24 garage. CH-1728 \$55,900

**200' SECLUDED AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM.** Gorgeous riverfront setting with willow trees lining riverfront. 2,184 s.f., 3 B/R, 2 baths, formal entry, imported ceramic tile, full stainless steel, two bay windows, two finished and heated garages, blacktop drive, artesian well flowing into river, beautiful landscaped yard, sprinkling system, cement parking with full R.V. hook-up. Call for more details! CH-1726 \$279,900

**PERFECT HOME OR CABIN!** Beautiful mature Red & White Pines. Double lot fronting blacktop county maintained road. Great location for 4 seasons recreation. 860 s.f., 2 B/R, 1 bath, hardwood floors, knotty pine interior, 20 x 20 garage. Recent updates include: kitchen, carpet, shingles, electric, and paint. Located 1/2 mile from snowmobile trails. CH-1669 \$49,900

**BEAUTIFULLY WOODED HILLSIDE SETTING** with rolling terrain overlooking pond. Gorgeous newly remodeled 912 s.f. home plus full finished walk-out basement. 3 B/R, 2 bath, family room, 2 fireplaces, vaulted ceiling, downwall onto 400 s.f. elevated deck. Maintenance free exterior with a rustic up north interior. 2 car garage and a 8 x 20 storage shed. Perfect recreational area near lakes and state land. CH-1687 \$105,000

**LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS!** 1,200 s.f. spotless home overlooking Lake Margrethe. 3 B/R, 1 bath, 2 doorwells onto 26 x 12 porch, light and bright interior. 24 x 26 detached garage, concrete apron, and sidewalk. All appliances included. Great year around home or seasonal cottage. CH-1719 \$98,500

**SECLUDED ESTATE ON 1.75 ACRES WITH** additional 2 lots available. This well crafted home is immaculate and offers an open floor plan with 1770 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Armstrong tongue and groove hardwood floors throughout, oak kitchen cabinets with double duty island serves as work space and snack bar, cathedral ceilings, creosote vinyl windows, ceramic floor in bath, drywall throughout, 2 car attached garage. Comes completely furnished except few items. State land and snowmobile trails 1/4 mile AuSable River 3.4 mile. Turn key. CS-1672 \$96,900

**505 FEET OF PRIME COMMERCIAL FRONTAGE ON M-72 WEST!** Cleared building site with mixture of trees. Corner of M-72 West and AuSable Trail Road. Cash/Possible Land Contract. CS-1415 \$132,000

**AFFORDABLE HOME?** Home offers 948 s.f. with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, full basement with laundry. Large updated kitchen has pantry and floating snack bar. Home is ready to move into. Enclosed porch on front. Double lot with all the city services and convenient to stores, churches, and schools etc. CS-1611 \$57,000

**Above the Crowd!**

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**CLOSE TO STATE LAND AND THE MANISTEE RIVER.** Take a closer look...Very eye appealing home. Recently remodeled home offers vaulted ceilings, walkout patio door onto back deck. Family room & kitchen combination is perfect for the cook that does not want to be separated from family and guests. Beautiful natural fireplace off dining room. Oak doors and trim throughout, new bath, new carpet. Lots of kitchen cabinets and counter space. Immaculately kept home is turn key. CS-1701 \$69,500

**BEAUTIFUL HOME IN THE CITY!** Immaculately well maintained home offers 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 1/2 car detached garage. Appliances include stove, refrigerator (new), and garbage disposal. Washer and dryer negotiable. New carpet, new furnace & hot water heater, new roof on house and garage. Concrete circle drive. Great location. CS-1703 \$67,500

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**SALES TEAM**

**Cute Little Home With Knotty Pine Interior!** Nice little 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with tongue & groove knotty pine throughout. Stairs knock off the road on 1.25 acres. Also has never roof and flooring. \$79,900 #226091

**Business on Michigan Avenue!** Great business opportunity, now being run as a retail store and a separate business as a coffee shop. \$93,500 will include furniture, fixtures and inventory. \$84,500 includes just the building, to be sold as is. \$89,900 #222805

**Brand New Spacious Home!** Brand new 2 bedroom, 1 bath home complete with full finished basement, high efficiency furnace, oak cabinets, open spacious floor plan, blacktop drive and 2 car garage. \$89,900 #224484

**Great Location Land Contract Terms!** Great location, this 3 BR, 1.5 bath home is just seconds away from state land, snowmobile trails, and the AuSable River. Sale includes stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer, and new carpet and flooring. Excellent shape, possible land contract terms available. \$65,000 #224555

**Cabin Near AuSable!** Great 1 bedroom, 1 bath cabin just minutes from the AuSable River. 22' x 24' garage, great area for snowmobiling. \$39,900 #225321

**Comfortable Home with Panorama of the AuSable!** With 222' of River frontage that offers a panoramic view of the AuSable River, this 4 BR, 2 bath home sits about 30' off the River's bank and includes 1/3 ownership of the 3 lots across the River. Over 2000 sq. ft., nestled among mature hardwoods, with underground sprinklers, and priced under appraised value. \$189,900 #225349

**20 Acres with Quality-Built Home!** Great location with 20 acres of very private land that adjoins 200 acres of state land. Quality-built 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home with knotty pine throughout, walk-out basement, and 30' x 40' pole barn. Great for all seasons. \$185,900 #225397

**Nice Mobile Just Minutes From State Land!** Great location! 2BR, 1 bath home with a 26' x 42' garage that includes a loft. New vinyl siding in 2002, snow roof built over trailer in 1995. Just minutes from state land for hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. \$44,900 #225423

**River Access Home!** River access - this 1128 square foot, 2 bedroom home on two acres is located just a short walk to river access. Home has attached garage, plenty of storage, and a nice private backyard. \$67,500 #225476

**13+ Acres Near "Holy Waters"!** Just minutes for the "Holy Waters" of the AuSable River and state land. Property fronts blacktop road with power adjacent. Nestle a home in the middle of property for lots of seclusion. \$38,500 #222385

**10 Acres of Hunting Property!** Great hunting land with state land on the east and West side. Power is 660 feet away. Priced right. Will accept a land contract for 3-5 years with 20%+ down. \$19,900 #220553

**Wooded Acreage!** Acreage in a nice mix of hardwoods, pines, rolling hills and meadows. Lots are in 10, 20, and 40 acre parcels. Prices from \$35,000 to \$120,000 #14849-14888

**10+ Acres Near Manistee River!** Great hunting, fishing and snowmobile area. State land to the West and 1/4 mile to the South. Manistee River is 1/2 mile away to the North. \$28,900 #13308

**2.5 Acres in "Log Only" Sub!** 2.5 acre building sites in "log only" restricted subdivision. Deeded access to state land, very nice mixture of hardwoods. Priced at \$16,900 each. #225460-225463

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**TWO BEDROOM, ONE BATH** home near Lake. Annual lease, no smoking, no pets, water included. \$425 per month plus utilities and security deposit. (989) 348-8627 (4/17/03tf/2)

**IN TOWN** On the AuSable, one bedroom upstairs apartment. \$390 per month, no pets. Phone (989) 731-4544. (-24-1/2)

**THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH** home at Lake Margrethe. Five years old, freshly painted inside. \$600 per month plus security. References, one year lease. No smoking only, no pets. (989) 348-8627 (3/13/03tf/2)

**TWO BEDROOM IN TOWN.** \$425 Call (989) 348-2473 (-24/2)

**OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE** for rental, 1,200 sq. ft, immediate opening in neon plaza, Kalkaska. Call Sandy (231) 258-8377 between 9:00 to 3:00. (10/24/02tf/2)

**ONE OR TWO BEDROOM** upstairs apartment. Conveniently located downtown Grayling. \$375 per month, plus deposit, no pets. Call (989) 348-2833. (-3-10-17-24/2)

**ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX** Dry walled, newer carpet, new bath, lawn care, adult, no-smoking. \$340 310 B Rolla St. (989) 348-2178 (4/17/03tf/2)

**KITCHENETTE AND STUDIO APARTMENT** Available All utilities included, cable. (989) 348-8471 (4/3/03tf/2)

**OLDER TWO BEDROOM HOUSE** in country, 10 miles south of Grayling. References and security deposit. \$450 (989) 275-4126 (-24/2)

**ONE BEDROOM UPPER APARTMENT**, completely furnished. Very private setting on Manistee River. All utilities provided. Seven miles from town. \$450 month. (989) 348-9714 (-24-1-8-15/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** Located in the city of Grayling. \$410 per month plus deposit. Call Northwood Rentals (989) 344-8787 (2/27/03tf/2)

**ENERGY EFFICIENT APARTMENT** (lower utility bills) for rent. Two bedrooms, one bath, living room, kitchen with dining area, laundry room, garage, washer/dryer and dishwasher. Call for information (989) 348-8471. (4/3/03tf/2)

**VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS** is now accepting applications for immediate occupancy, as well as waiting list positions. Very nice, two bedroom, two bath apartments with an attached garage and central air conditioning in a private secluded setting. Lease includes appliances, weekly garbage pickup, snow removal, and lawn care. Paved street, natural gas. Credit application required. No pets. Inquire at Farm Bureau Insurance-Herb Olson (989) 348-9456. (-3-10-17-24/2)

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**RIVER FOREST APARTMENTS** 420 Hannah and 239-249 Ballenger Street in Roscommon is updating the waiting list for one, two, three, and four bedroom units. Rent based on income with some rent subsidy. Barrier free units in building. Applications on site or call Beverly at 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. Hearing TDD #1-800-855-1155. (-17-24/2)

**THREE BEDROOM, ONE BATH** Large lot in Frederic. Newly remodeled, no pets. \$450 per month. (810) 459-6623 (-24-1/2)

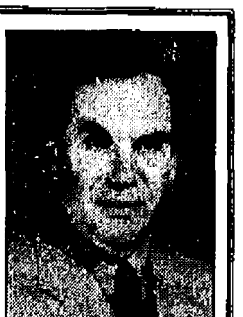
**APARTMENT FOR RENT** in Grayling. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Garage, washer/dryer, no pets or smoking. \$620 a month plus security deposit. (989) 344-9070 (LR5/29/03/2)

**KITCHENETTES FOR RENT** No deposit and includes all utilities, cable TV, stove, refrigerator. Phone available. Western Trails Motel (989) 348-7681. (-17-24/2)

## 1. Real Estate

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**A FINE HOME FOR A BIG FAMILY!** This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home comes with new sinks and countertops, detached 2-car garage, and central air. Surrounded by beautiful pine and oak trees. Also, has a wood burning fireplace. Deeded access to Bear Lake. A definite must see! GB-1564 \$69,900



**NEWER HOME WITH LOTS OF CHARM AND APPEAL.** Salt box design with two B/R and a bath up and one bedroom and a bath down. Features a large wrap around, covered deck with 2 ceiling fans. Also has a large utility room with washer and dryer. Secluded location with State land across the road. GB-1645 \$115,000



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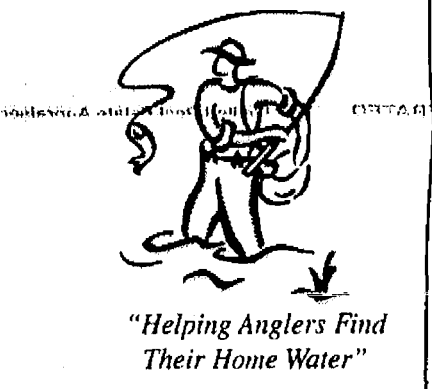
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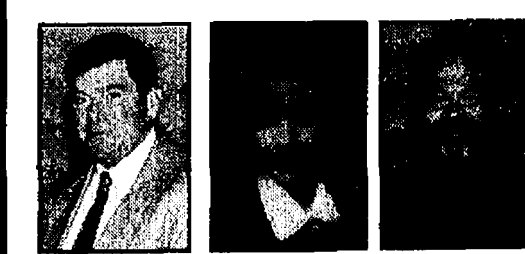
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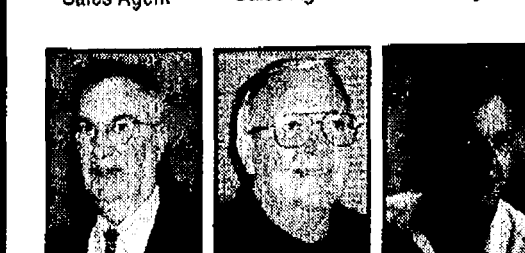
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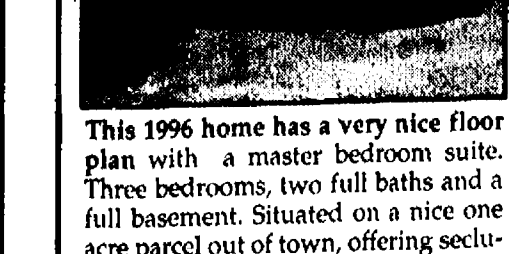
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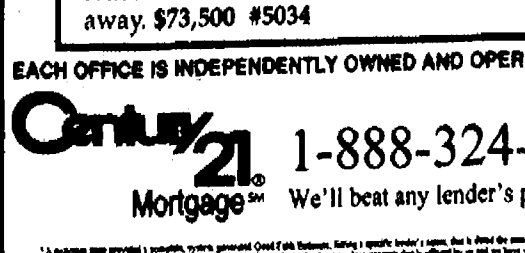
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This 1996 home has a very nice floor plan with a master bedroom suite. Three bedrooms, two full baths and a full basement. Situated on a nice one acre parcel out of town, offering seclusion. Public fishing site on the AuSable River is about two miles away. \$73,500 #5034

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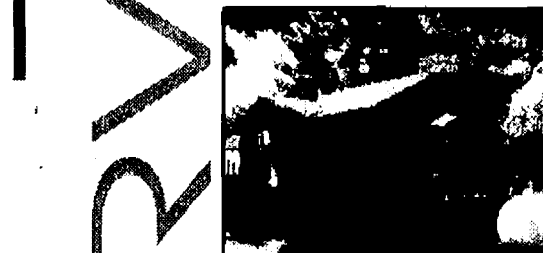
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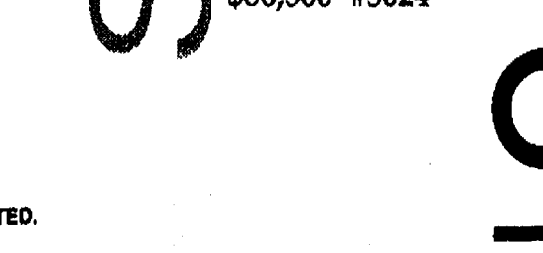
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Over 2,000 SF home nestled in a quiet area just outside the city limits. New roof, vinyl siding and little TLC. Home is situated on two lots and has a two car detached garage. Very nice landscaping and an above ground pool. \$80,000 #5089



Nice secluded two bedroom home has one bath and a guest house. Features a garden area, knotty pine interior, two car garage and storage shed. \$86,500 #5024



Spacious home situated on a nicely landscaped 5 acre parcel. This home includes a full, finished basement that could provide additional bedrooms. Home has two large garages, 3 baths, a wood burning fireplace, garden area, and much more. \$199,000 #5050



Situated on 5 acres is this 1,900 SF home with a lot of extras to offer. Three to four bedrooms, living room and family room, ceramic tile flooring in the family room and kitchen, plenty of remodeling has been done. \$118,000 #5094



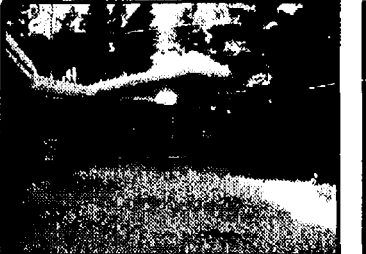
Recently remodeled three bedroom ranch home located in a quiet neighborhood just minutes from downtown Grayling. Home features vaulted ceilings, skylight, large deck, 1.3 acres of land and right on a paved bike path for the kids. \$73,000 #5091



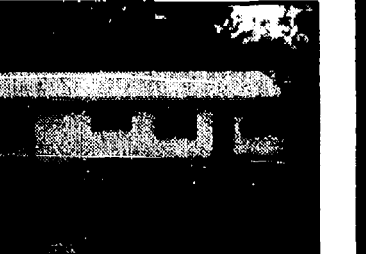
This clean, vinyl sided home has two to three bedrooms with approximately 1,192 SF, is situated on a 2-1/2 acre parcel and also features a cute guest cabin in the woods. This great home is priced to sell. \$59,500 #5073



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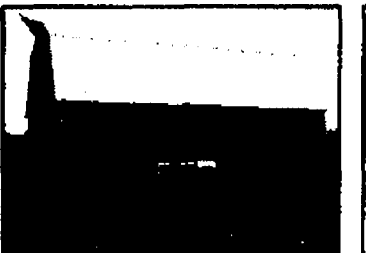
One bedroom with attached garage and large storage shed on 1.9 acres. New roof, electric service, hot water heater, wall furnace, and vertical blinds. Extensive remodeling completed in 2002. Ceiling fans, two window air conditioners, 5000W generator, riding mower and snowblower included. \$68,000 #5072



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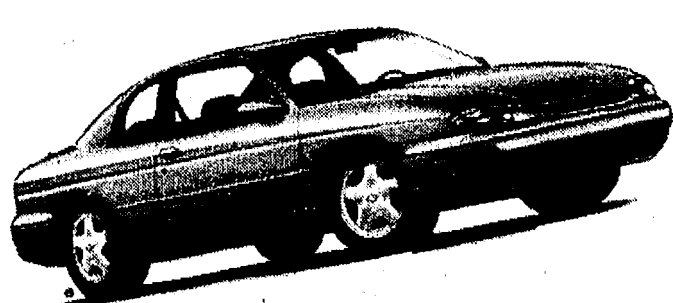
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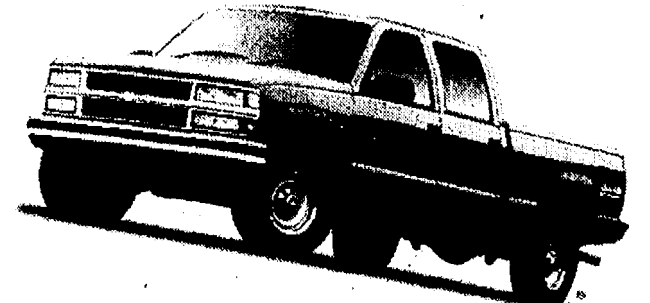
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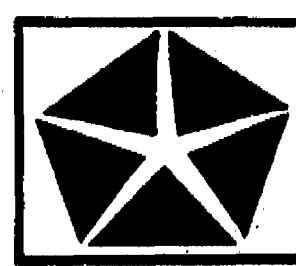
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# Grayling: The Trout Fishing Capital of the Eastern U.S.

## AuSable, Manistee Rivers and Area Lakes Offer Excellent Opportunities for Fishermen

Crawford County's claim to fame comes from the world-renowned blue ribbon trout streams — the AuSable and Manistee rivers — along with their tributaries. They bring to northern Michigan, Grayling and Crawford County some of the finest trout fishing east of the Mississippi.

In recognition of the fine fishing found in the county, the Grayling Township Board of Trustees passed a resolution designating the greater community of Grayling 'The Trout Fishing Capital of the Eastern United States' in September of 1998.

The upper AuSable River and the Manistee River systems are two of the most stable systems in the United States, which makes them more accessible to fishermen year round. Each system offers catches of native Brook,

Brown and Rainbow Trout to the discerning angler.

There are numerous public accesses, and rental canoes are available for anglers to enjoy the rivers for fishing or sport. Local sport shops and lodging accommodations have area maps and generally have information about hatches and water conditions.

Fishing regulations vary between sections on the rivers with some areas designated for "flies only," and several miles of the AuSable River for "catch and release." The majority of the waters, however, are open to any type of fishing, including flies, hardware, and bait.

Hatch activity generally begins in early March with the onset of spring and the emerging Blackstones. Hendricksons are usually hatching by the opening day of trout season, which is the last Saturday in April (April 26 this year). Afternoon hatches, with little pressure from other river users, makes early to mid-May a popular time for many fly fishers. Other early season hatches include the Little Mahogany, Little Black Caddis, and Blue Winged Olives.

By mid-May, most hatches and spinner falls occur in late afternoon. The Sulfur hatch begins in late May and lasts about two weeks. The first week of June is a popular time on area streams as the Brown Drake hatch occurs.

Hatches continue through May and June, generally culminating with the "Hex" hatch, which is the big Michigan Mayfly, the Hexagenia Limbata. This hatch brings the fly fishers in large numbers as it is the time when trophy fish regularly surface-feed.

It is important to mention that most of the anglers who are successful in catching the larger trout fish for them during the late evening and on into the night. Fishermen are often found on the streams all night waiting for the spinner falls, which generally come between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m., and for the hatches, which occur after 10 p.m. and last sometimes until the wee hours of the morning.

August brings the terrestrials: grasshoppers, ants and crickets. The warm sunny days are an ideal time to fish the Browns lying along the grass banks waiting for that careless hopper. As mother nature starts to dip her paintbrush and color the leaves, enjoy the solitude of a quiet day and cool evening with Brown and Brook Trout becoming more active. It's a great time to come to northern Michigan and experience fall colors, late lake fishing, bird hunting and Salmon fishing.

For a special experience, there are several very knowledgeable local guides who offer guided float trips.

In addition to offering two of the finest fishing rivers available, the Crawford County area is home to numerous lakes, which also offer excellent fishing opportunities. Lake Margrethe and Higgins Lake are the two largest bodies of water in the county, offering a variety of lake fishing, with Lake Margrethe giving up good catches of Walleye and Northern Pike. Opening of Bass season usually finds quantities of fair-sized Large- and Smallmouth Bass, which can be fished with live bait as well as artificial.

Lake Margrethe also offers Bluegill and Perch for the panfisherman. Higgins Lake is recognized as being one of the 10 most beautiful lakes in the United States, and it is well worth the time spent to learn how to catch its Brown and Lake Trout, as well as Splake.

Higgins also offers very large Northern Pike and is noted for its wintertime Perch and Smelt fishing.

North of Grayling and west of Lovells, off County Road 612, lie some small lakes that are local favorites. K.P. Lake lays claim to trophy Bluegill and good numbers of Bass. Jones Lake is home for Walleye and Bluegill, while Hargrove Lake will give a peaceful afternoon fishing Crappie, Perch and Bluegill.

Most of the streams and lakes in the county can be accessed with a canoe or boat. Wakeley Lake, a "catch and release" lake, requires persons to carry their canoe approximately one-half mile, but the fishing can be worth it. Only artificial bait is allowed.

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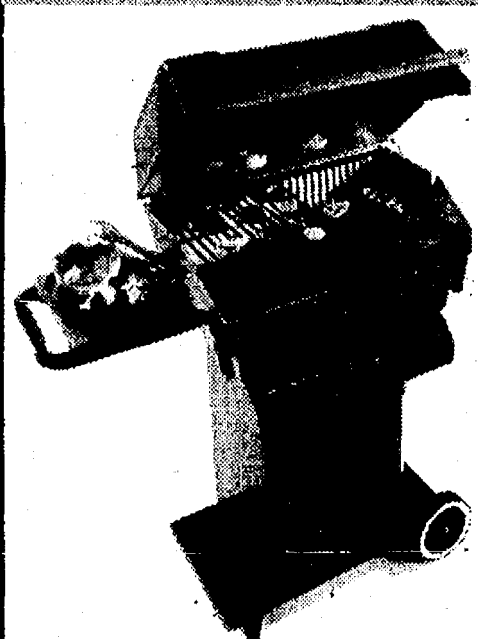
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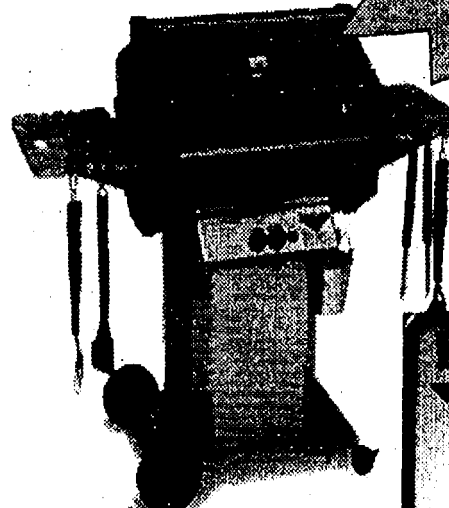
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It is not unusual to see deer, mink, otter, wild turkeys, a great blue heron or, occasionally, a bald eagle, while on your canoe trip. A "day on the river" is a great way for families to enjoy northern Michigan's great outdoors.

Area canoe liveries offer river day-trips ranging in length from about two to six hours and overnight canoe/camp trips from two to six days, or more. Many families pack a picnic lunch for their day on the river. For those considering an overnight trip, there are state forest campgrounds at various points along the rivers.

The AuSable and Manistee are "Class 1" rivers, with no "whitewater" or heavy rapids. Canoeers who feel comfortable about their canoeing ability can generally easily maneuver around the rivers' natural log-jams and "sweepers," which

are cedar trees that hang out low over the river. Occasionally, heavy rain or spring melt-off can result in higher river levels and more difficult canoeing conditions that only experienced canoeers should challenge.

As with any water-sport activity, safety is a primary consideration. Floating or paddling the river is a risk activity, which can result in injury or even death if done carelessly or recklessly.

Canoeing season starts as soon as spring temperatures begin to warm and ends with the fall color season. Summer weekends can be very busy at the area liveries, so advance reservations are strongly encouraged.

Guests are encouraged to dress appropriately: warm, layered clothing in cool weather (don't forget extra dry clothes in a secure dry bag); remember sunscreen and lightweight, long-sleeved shirts to provide sun protection on hot summer days. Taking along rainwear is always a wise choice; northern Michigan weather can change quite quickly.

Members of the Grayling

AuSable Canoe Livery Association (GACLA) love sober canoeers. Canoeing while intoxicated is dangerous and illegal. GACLA members remind you: kegs, hard liquor and glass beverage containers are not allowed. There is a limit of one six-pack of beer per canoe.

Radios are not allowed in the canoe. Enjoy the natural sounds and respect others' quiet enjoyment of the river. There also are no styrofoam coolers allowed. If the canoe upsets, they break into small pieces and cause unsightly litter.

Make your plans now to enjoy a day on the beautiful AuSable or Manistee rivers.

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- Wear light or bright-colored clothing. Avoid loose-fitting pants.
- Don't ride at night.

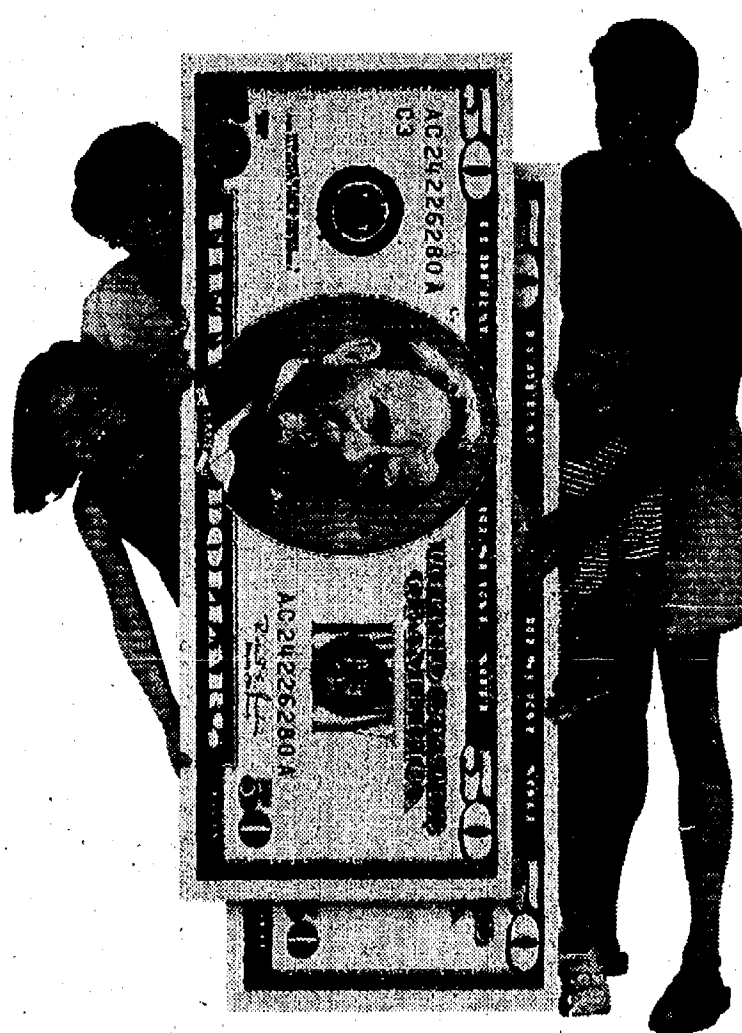


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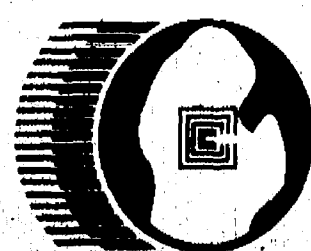
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this year.

All three local country clubs contain golf courses which are playable for all levels of golfers. Any player of any talent ability can play the courses Crawford County has to offer and have fun.

The three golf courses also contain some challenging hazards to make each round interesting. Grayling Country Club features standard bunkers and water. Fox Run's hazards include marshes and ponds. The Skyline course features some dramatic changes in elevation and water hazards.

Fox Run Country Club — The 18-hole, par 72 Fox Run golf course is cut through the natural setting of numerous hardwoods. The holes follow the natural terrain and go with the lay of the land.

Fox Run Country Club is located one-half mile west of I-75, off of exit 251 on Four Mile Road in Beaver Creek Township.

Fox Run can be reached at (989) 348-4343.

Grayling Country Club — The 5,800 yards of the 18 holes of

the Grayling Country Club golf course are set along the banks of the AuSable River. Par for the course is 70.

The Grayling Country Club is located along the I-75 Business Loop in downtown Grayling near Big Boy.

Grayling Country Club can be reached at (989) 348-5618.

Skyline Ski and Country Club — Skyline's golf course — a new addition to its facility — will be ready for business this year. The Skyline course is constructed on terrain that features changes in elevation of almost 150 feet from one end to the other. Par for the 18-hole golf course is 72. The course was designed by John Robinson, who was rated one of the top 49 golf course designers in North America by Golf Inc. magazine last year.

Skyline has also recently renovated its club house and its restaurant/bar.

Skyline Ski and Country Club is located at 4020 Skyline Road near the 251 exit of I-75.

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## Family Camping: A Time For Renewal

(American Outdoors  
News Features)

TV's, computers, electronic games, cell phones and pagers — leave these constant distractions behind. Taking the time to recreate by camping gives your family the chance for renewal and rebirth.

It's one reason why vacation camping is ranked as the third most popular recreational activity according to National Sporting Goods Association

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Think of the enjoyment of fishing with the youngsters, taking a long afternoon hike, settling back with a good book and then at the end of the day to sit quietly by a fire and speak softly of important things like "how beautiful the sunset was" or "what a great dinner we just had."

The Cruise America Travel Advisory Council, made up of avid travelers and sportsmen, remind us that it's a time when the lessons of pulling together for one cause are illustrated to family members in even the simplest of tasks like gathering firewood or planning where to travel to next.

Camping is a great time for one-on-one conversations, a time to share ideas without distractions and the rushing around and complexities of everyday life.

In another survey, Harris Interactive found that 94% of parents who own RV's overwhelmingly consider them "the best way to travel with children."

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# Discover Boating By Answering Eight Simple Questions

(American Outdoors News Features)

Boating provides a wonderful recreational getaway for millions of people. It's easy to hop into a car, drive down to a nearby lake and take off on a water-skiing or fishing excursion. The hard part is deciding what kind of boat you want to enjoy your leisure time with. With literally hundreds of boat makes and models to choose from, a boater has to sift through a myriad of options to determine which boat is right for them.

Discover Boating, an independent program set up by the boating industry to help new and seasoned boaters get into the right boat to fit their lifestyle, has introduced eight questions for people to ask when starting their search for a new boat:

**1. Which type of boat is right for me?** One of the terrific things about boating is that there are boats designed for different activities, and there truly is something for everyone. To narrow down the search, simply ask what will the boat be used for. Fishing and generally enjoying local waterways? Waterskiing, wakeboarding and exciting watersports? Cruising with family and friends? Racing? A little of everything?

**2. How big a boat will I need?** This depends on several things: how many people will be boating at one time? Where will the boat be used? Every new boat has an "NMMA capacity plate" that tells how many people can safely fit on board. In order to enjoy the boat in different places, the boat should be 26 feet or less, for easy trailering.

**3. What will it cost?** There's a boat for every budget. Boat owners are often surprised that their dream boat cost less than they'd expected! New boats and pre-owned boats bought at a reputable dealership can be financed, so take advantage of monthly payments. As with cars, pre-owned boats typically cost less than a similar new model.

**4. What is the best time of year to buy?** The best time is when you are ready! Great deals on boats can be found any time of year. Boat shows also provide excellent opportunities to find "show specials." Boat show attendees can comparison shop among a wide variety of brands and dealers.

**5. How do you find a good dealer?** Boat shows are ideal for finding the dealer that best suits the buyer's needs. Look for a dealer that is fairly convenient to where you'll be using your boat. Depending on your needs, your dealer may also service and store your boat. The dealer who is open about his facilities, and who offers to take you for a test drive is probably a good choice.

**6. Where can I learn the waterway rules?** Boaters, education courses are available through the Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, BoatUS, Boat-Ed.com and BoatSafe.com.

**7. Should I buy new or used?** Shopping for a new boat first is recommended. This is important to gain insight into which type of boat is best for you and the market price. You can comparison shop for similar pre-owned models. Think about warranties when comparing

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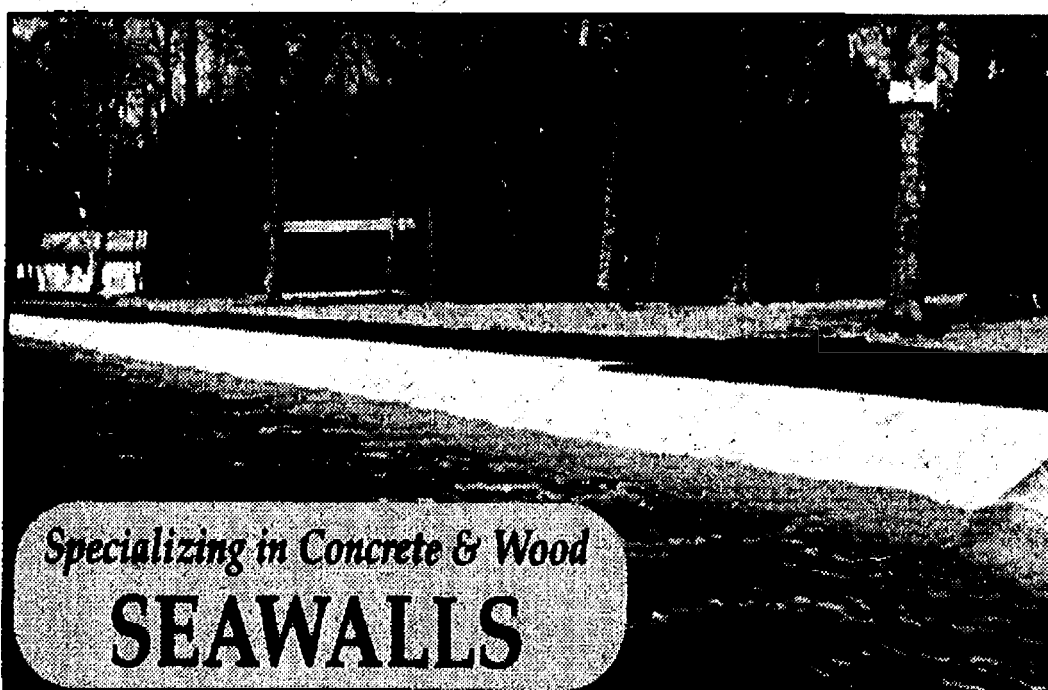
**8. If I buy used how do I know the boat is in good condition?** Get a qualified marine surveyor's inspection. Surveyors will check all systems, as well as the hull structure. Call several insurance companies in your area for recommended surveyors.

These questions should help anyone interested in boating pick out the perfect boat for their lifestyle. But, for those that are more inquisitive, the Discover Boating Guy is always available at [www.DiscoverBoating.com](http://www.DiscoverBoating.com) to answer any questions.

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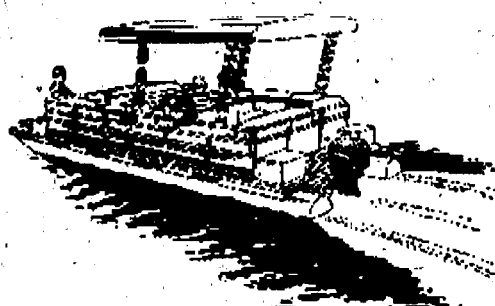
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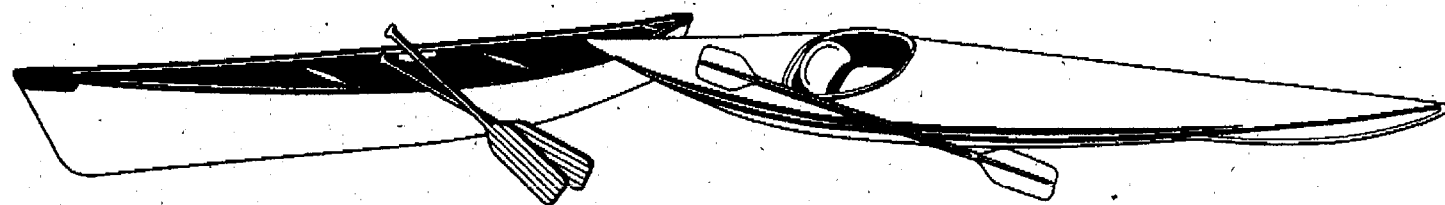
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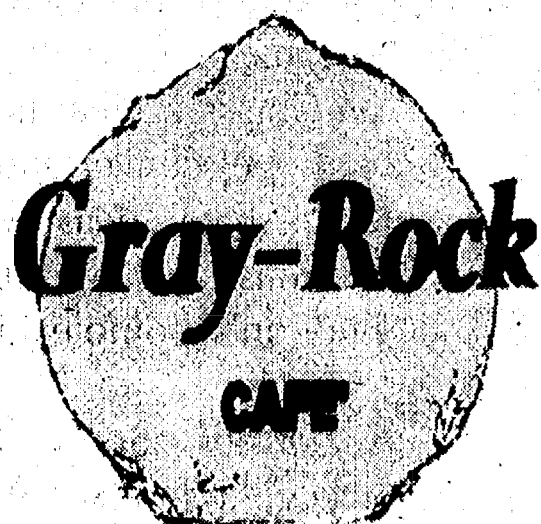
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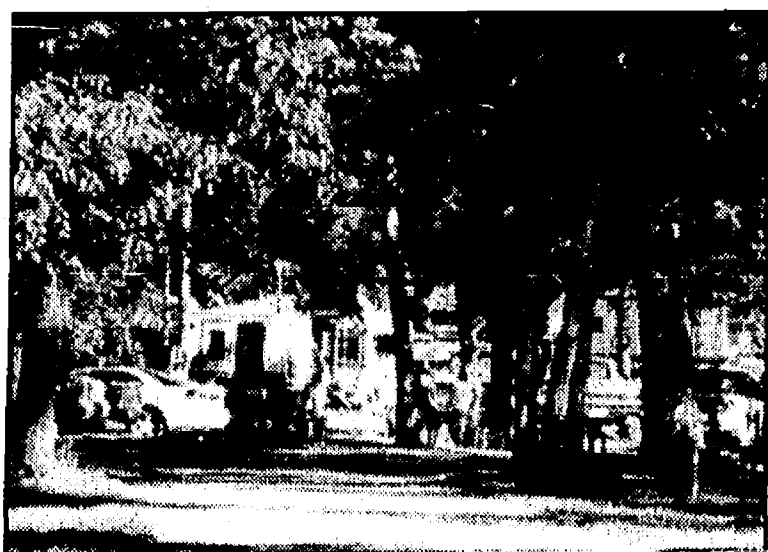
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(American Outdoors News Features)

Boaters are generally sun worshippers, but you can get too much of a good thing. Here are some tips for protection from the Mercury Outboards boating folks.

First off, use plenty of sunscreen lotion with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher, on exposed skin especially for children and those that are fair-skinned. Wear a comfortable hat. Wide brimmed "floppy" hats are great added protection for ears and back of necks. Consider wearing breathable long sleeved pants and shirts to defuse the sun's exposure, along with quality sunglasses

to protect against UV rays.

If your boat has a top, by all means put it up when you're spending hours out on the water during the middle of the day. If you don't have a top, carry a white umbrella aboard and use it as a sun shield while you're anchored or running slowly. It's especially beneficial for older fishermen and kids, who are affected much faster by hot weather. If you're near a shoreline, seek the shade of a tree to relax under.

An ice chest and some cold drinks are practically essential in summer boating. Drinking water is the best refreshment. Also you can dip a cloth in the cold water of the ice chest and wipe your hands and face

periodically. Or, lay it on the back of your neck.

You can also keep cool by simply dumping some water from the lake or stream over your clothing. In the process of evaporating, the water will help lower your body temperature.

Keep an eye on your passengers. If someone in your party quits sweating or feels weak, nauseated, faint, or if his or her skin feels hot and dry, it's time to take action. Get the sufferer into the shade and into a comfortable lying position. Cool him down with wet towels and by circulating air around him. If he doesn't seem to respond, get medical attention immediately.

## Safe Boating Check List

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The National Marine Manufacturer Association (NMMA) and leading marine companies like Mercury Outboards and Tracker Marine, provide this "Boating Check List" to consider before starting the engine:

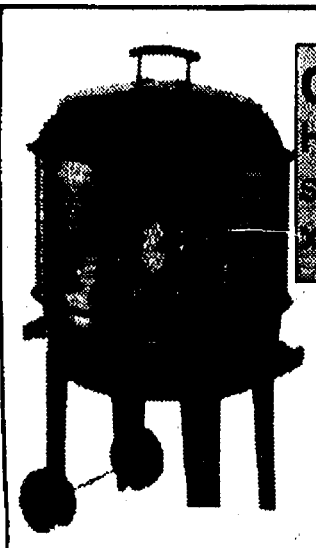
- Is the DRAIN PLUG securely in place?
- Is there one LIFE-SAVING DEVICE (personal flotation - PFD) for every person on board?
- Is the STEERING SYSTEM working smoothly and properly?
- Does the FUEL SYSTEM have adequate fuel; are there leaks or fumes?
- Is the BATTERY fully charged and are cable terminals clean and tight?
- Is the ENGINE in neutral?
- Does the CAPACITY PLATE, found near the helm or steering wheel, indicate overload or excess power?
- Are WEATHER CONDITIONS safe to go out?
- Is all ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (lights, horn, pump, etc.) working?
- Is EMERGENCY GEAR (fire extinguisher, bailer, paddle, anchor & line, signaling

device, tool kit, etc.) in place?

Additional cautions for tow vehicles. For the many boating families which tow their vessels to launching areas, NMMA, Mercury and Tracker offer an additional safety checklist, making sure:

- Coupler, hitch and hitch ball are of the same size;
- Coupler and safety chains are safely secured to hitch;
- Fasteners are properly tightened;
- Boat is securely tied down to trailer (winch line is not a tie down);
- Wheel lug nuts are properly tightened;
- Wheel bearings are properly adjusted and maintained;
- Load is within maximum load carrying capacity;
- Tires are properly inflated;
- All trailer lighting is working properly;
- Trailer brakes are properly adjusted and working.

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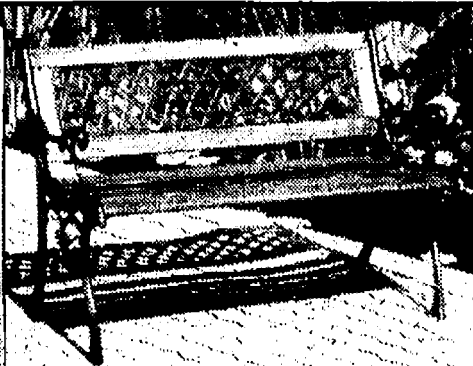


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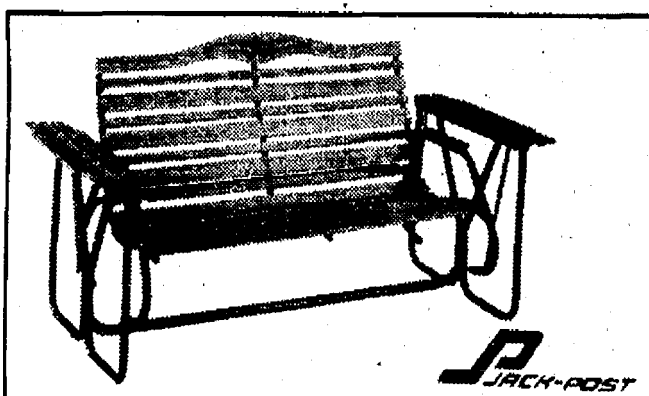
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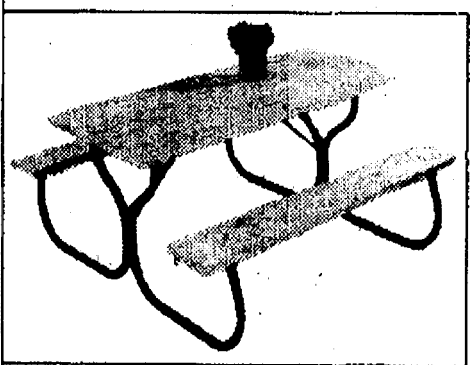


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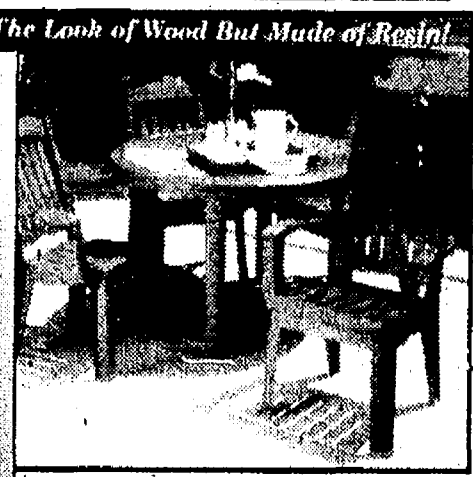
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# Getting Up On Two Water Skis

(American Outdoors News Features)

It's the start of many fun moments on the water – learning how to ski on combination skis. Just like learning to ride a bike the first moments on skis can also be a challenge. The experts at Mercury Outboards and Mercury MerCruiser, which powers more ski boat brands than any other engine manufacturer, offers these tips on getting started:

Practice first on dry land. A great place to start is to practice on dry land to give novice skiers the "feel" before trying it on the water. Wearing the proper personal flotation device (PFD) also helps simulate its feel.

- With the ski binders fitted snugly on your feet sit back on the ends of your skis.

- While holding the handle of the rope, have a friend or instructor pull you up.

- Let the pull of the line do the work as you gradually rise with arms and back held straight almost to a standing position. Practice this pulling motion several times.

- Next, try putting the skis on in neck deep water. It will help you become more proficient before going for the deepwater start.

Here's how to get up on two water skis from a deepwater start:

- Your PFD will keep you buoyant while you place the skis snugly on your feet.

- As you did on the beach, bend your knees towards your chest and place the rope between your knees with the handle in your hands.

- Facing the rear of the towboat point the skis about shoulder length apart, with at

least 6-12 inches of skis above the water. Keep your knees together, skis parallel as the boat begins to move forward. Don't yell "Hit it!" to the observer and driver until the rope is tight and your skis are up.

- Stay in a sitting position, until the boat pulls you on top of the water. Slowly stand as your skis become horizontal to the water. A little bend in the knees will act as a shock absorber as you stand.

- Standing too soon can throw you off balance causing you to fall backwards or forwards.

- Keep your arms straight and don't pull the rope towards your body.

- Don't look down at the skis. Keeping your sights set on the boat helps in keeping a balanced position.

- Use your body to slightly steer in the right direction if you feel you are going off balance.

- Keep your back straight, with skis shoulder width apart.

- After you are up and balanced stay inside the wakes for a while to get a feel of the skis. To go right or left, lean or bank your skis in that direction.

- If you fall try not to do it forward and don't forget to let go of the rope. Let the observer and driver in the boat know you're okay by clapping your hands over your head.

## Tips:

- Know how to swim before trying skiing or other water sports.

- Skis for youngsters should be about 40 to 50 inches long with appropriately smaller binders. Skis this size are easier for them to handle than

longer and heavier adult skis of 60-70 inches.

- Don't fight it. Skiers should let the skis and the boat do the work.

- Skiers should establish hand signals with the driver and observer to know if you want to go faster or slower.

- The average skier will take five or six tries to finally get up.

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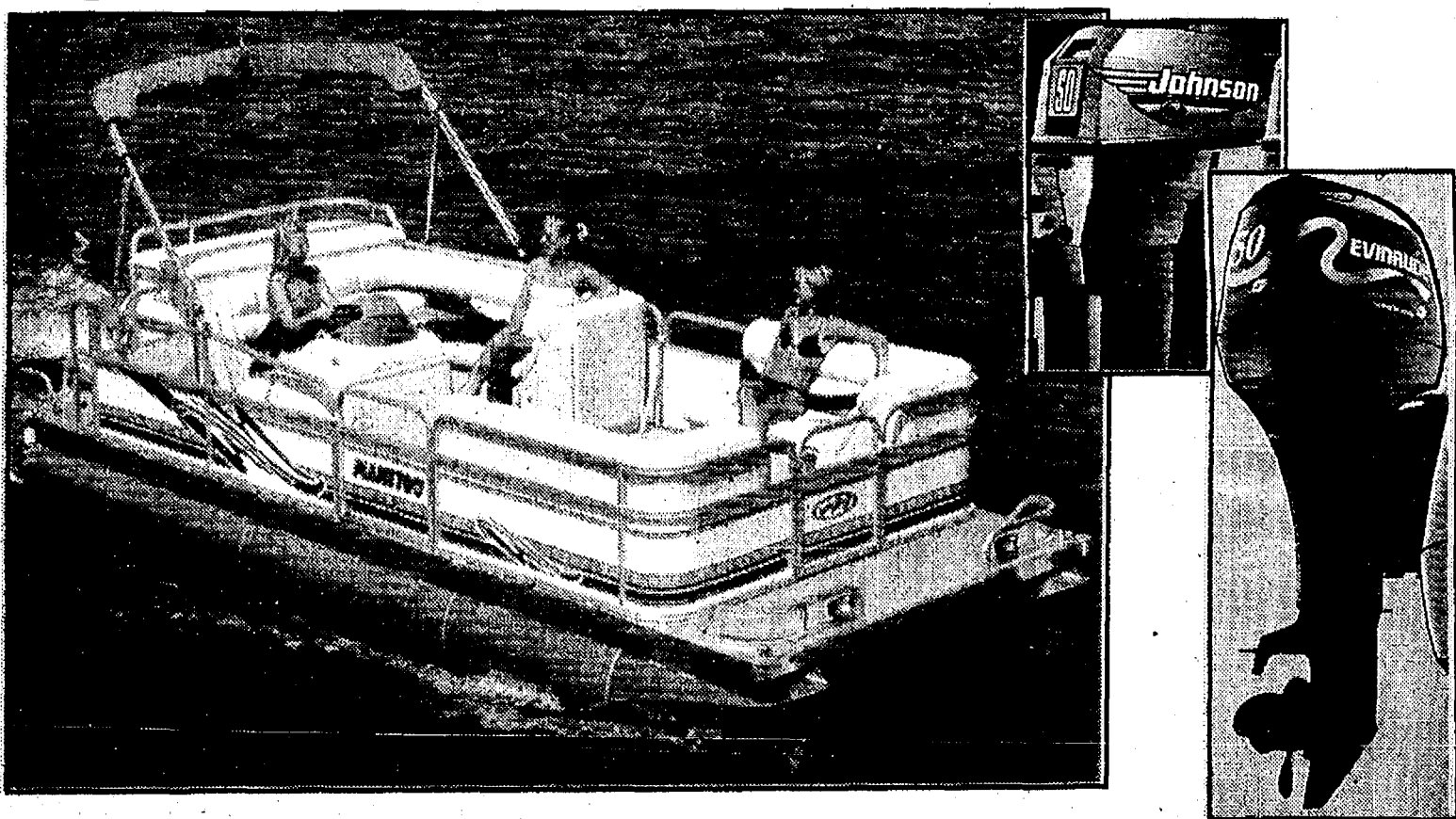
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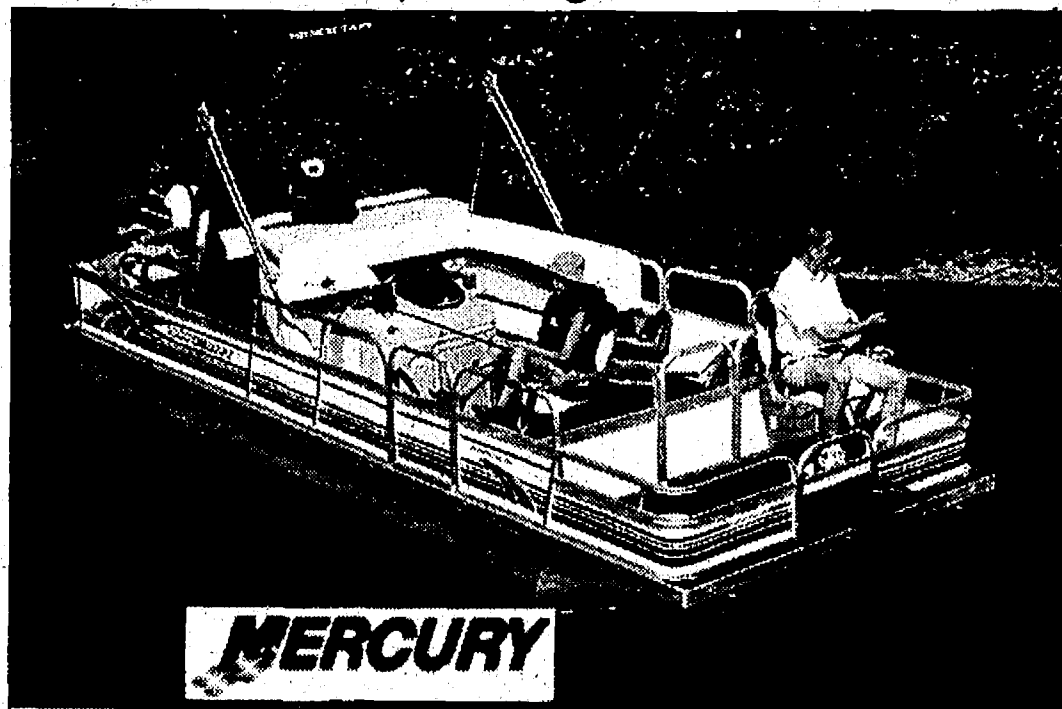
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# The Great Outdoors – So Many Choices For Fun

(American Outdoors News Features)

The appeal of the outdoors, especially to the nation's beautiful waterways and scenic byways, draws more people to see America. Fishing, camping, sailing, relaxing cruises or a "blue highway" adventure makes the outdoors so attractive.

Why? Because the outdoors and all of the variety of recreational activities associated with it are fun for families and friends to relax and recharge.

Check out these facts and figures from 2001:

- Vacation camping with 45.5 million participants was the third most popular recreational activity behind exercise walking and swimming according to the

National Sporting Goods Association (NSGA) surveys. This supports research by Cruise America with RV, rental and motor home ownership use and the emphasis of families spending more time together since the September 11 tragedy.

- Nearly 70 million people participated in recreational boating of all types last year says the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) in its annual estimate report.

- Through registrations the NMMA estimate 17 million recreational boats are in use across the country.

- Outboard boats are by far and away the most popular craft. Over 8.3 million outboard boats are on the water says the NMMA, and companies like Tracker Marine and Mercury Marine.

- Fishing and outboard boats are big. Officials at Mercury Marine point out that over 80% of all outboards are sold with the activity of fishing in mind for the owner.

- The experts at Tracker Boats and NSGA say that over 44.4 million Americans go fishing each year and over a third of them are women. That means

nearly one out of every five people in this country fish; more than the amount that golf, play tennis or alpine ski combined.

- Catch and release fishing continues to catch on. The fishing experts at companies like Mercury, Tracker and associations like the FishAmerica Foundation and Coastal Conservation Association all report a growing number of catch, photograph and release fishing events with which they are involved.

- Nearly 6 million people participated in water skiing and wakeboard activities according to MerCruiser and NMMA figures.

- Being a mobile society, trailering boats to favorite waterway destinations is popular with over 7.5 million boat trailers in use, says the NMMA. In addition many boats are trailered behind motorhomes, reports Cruise America, the nation's largest RV rental company, to scenic lakeshore camping vacation get-aways.

- Sailboat ownership is over 1.6 million according to the NMMA. Programs like Discover Sailing are helping to introduce the sport at hundreds of sites across the nation.



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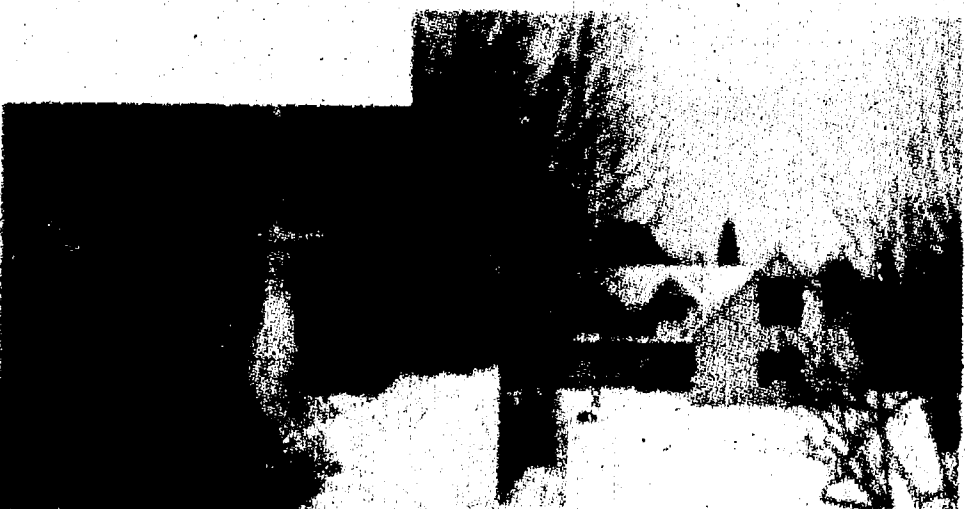
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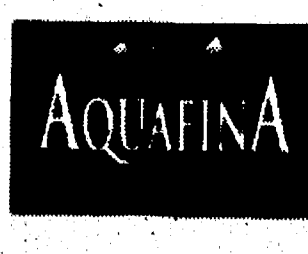
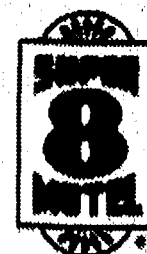
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